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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

WE are authorized to announce CHARLES H. PULLEN as a candidate for City Clerk at the ensuing municipal election.

WE are authorized to announce WILLIAM BUNDY as a candidate for overseer of highways in District No. 3, of Decatur township, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

WE are authorized to announce HENRY MARTIN as a candidate for Supervisor of Hickory township, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are requested to announce CHARLES C. RADCLIFF as a candidate for Township Collector at the ensuing April election.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

CLOAK-MAKER'S ball March 20th.

THE school children will "run wild" next week.

Two Knights in one night next Monday night.

THE Peoria *Journal* has been enlarged to a nine-column folio, and makes a neat appearance in its handsome new type.

VERMILION county has recently received $10,700 from the government for her swamp lands.

ABOUT 700 of the Harrison converts have united with the different churches in Decatur.

SEE the monster display of new spring goods at Linn & Scruggs'. Note change in their advertisement in to-day's issue.

SELECT your harness, laprobes and horse blankets at J. W. Tyler's shop, south side city park.

THE salaries of ball players this season range from $40 to $400 per month, and in a couple of instances even exceed this.

DEAL with Pope & Bro., in opera block, and you will get reliable family groceries every time.

HAWORTH'S new block on Masonic corner will be a clipper. Ground will be broken for it this spring.

THERE will be an Easter egg breaking concert at Janes' Chapel on the 25th. The attendance at the Sunday school on the 11th was 102.

IF the Democrats nominate a city ticket it will probably be headed by Andrew Shoemaker, of the fifth ward. His Democratic friends are urging his candidacy for mayor.

MY RESIDENCE, corner of North Main and King streets, is for sale. Possession could be given in 60 days from date of sale. Would trade for farm property.

Mch 8, w6 WM. J. QUINLAN.

K. W. CONN, general merchant at Mt. Zion, has quit business and made an assignment to J. G. Cloyd, of Decatur, for the benefit of his creditors. Liabilities unknown.

THE first collector to return his tax book to Treasurer Wood is Frank B. Ritchie, of Illini township. The tax levy in his township was $8,811.89, and he collected $5,329.11 of that sum.

AT Sterling the city election was hotly contested on the license question. W. W. Sanborn, license candidate for mayor, was elected. The board of aldermen stand 7 to 5 in favor of no license.

THE new base ball playing rules of the two professional associations, that make the rules of the game, differ this season in only one essential point. The League plays the fly game entirely; the American Association admits of the bound catch of foul ball.

THE remains of John Nelligan, who died near Illiopolis on Saturday, were brought to Decatur on a special Wabash train Sunday afternoon and interred in the Catholic cemetery. Two coach loads of Illiopolis friends came here with the body and attended the burial.

WILLIAM DILLEHUNT, overseer of highways in District No 1, commenced scraping the roads in his territory this morning, commencing on North Water street. It is a little unusual that the roads are in a condition at this time of the year to be improved in this way, and Overseer Dillehunt is taking advantage of the present fine weather. Give us another Wiggins.

THE Dunston Brothers Andy and Greeley yesterday purchased "Geo. W. Peden," the celebrated trotting horse that can make a mile in 2:35. He was purchased of Mr. George Blair, of Sangamon county. The cash price was $150. "Peden" is now in Decatur.

IN compliance with the request of Bishop Baltes on Sunday Father Mackin at the Catholic Church called for contributions for the relief of the Shawneetown sufferers. The amount raised was about $90, which will be added to the Alton Diocese relief fund and forwarded to the proper parties at Shawneetown.

ADOLPH RIEKLE, a coal miner at the Decatur shaft, is charged with having disappeared, taking with him the sum of [illegible] part of which he should have given [illegible] two brother miners who worked with him in the shaft. It is believed that Reikle has gone to Lexington, Mo., from which town he came here about a month ago.

THE HAWORTH BLOCK.

A $50,000 Business Structure on Masonic Corner to be Built the Coming Season.

It will be Heated by Steam and will have a Steam Elevator and a Cut-off Corner.

During the past 12 years Decatur has enjoyed a commendable rivalry among large property owners in the way of building beautiful and costly residences. The result has been the erection of four commodious dwelling houses by the Haworth Brothers, and equally fine residences by D. S. Shellabarger, A. T. Hill, J. R. Race, W. B. Chambers, I. A. Buckingham, J. W. Race, D. C. Shockley, M. P. Murphey, C. M. Imboden, H. W. Hill, James Millikin, Dr. Walston, John K. Warren, Charles L. Griswold, Mrs. A. A. Powers, John Ullrich, John Hatfield, and others, with some yet to be built by Wm. J. Quinlan, Charles P. Thatcher, O. Z. Greene, J. M. Clokey and others.

A NEW BLOCK.

And now we are having a boom in the erection of business blocks. This forenoon a reporter had a glance at the plans drawn by E. McNabb & Son, the architects, for the new business block to be built at once on the corner fronting Water street and the Park south of the Masonic Temple, by Mr. James W. Haworth, of the check-rower firm of Haworth & Sons. This block will be one of the handsomest and most conveniently arranged that will ever be erected in Decatur, and will be a monument to the commendable public spirit of the gentlemen who will invest about $50,000 in the improvement. It will be a brick structure three stories high and will have a frontage on the park of 87 feet, and also a frontage on Water street of 86 feet. In its general appearance it will resemble the Ullrich building. But it will have a terra cotta cornice, a cut-off corner opening into a room on the first floor suitable for a bank, and the generous trimmings will be of stone and colored brick. East of the bank room there will be four store-rooms—two 20x83 feet inside, and the last one, which will occupy the space where the Blenz meat market is now located, will be 18x83 feet in size. There will also be a store room on the Water street front, on the north side of the new block. The size of this store room will be 22x49 feet. An alley ten feet wide will extend along the north side of the building from Water to State streets, which will be a passage-way of great convenience to occupants of the block. The second and third floors with their lofty ceilings and splendid ventilation and light will be divided up into large and handsome offices for professional gentlemen. There will be 16 rooms on the second floor and 16 rooms on the third floor, and on each floor there will be water closets and other modern conveniences. The ascent to the second floor will be made by a stairway five feet wide in the middle of the block from the south side; there will also be a stairway entrance on the Water street side, near the alley, and in the hall entrance to this stairway will be found a steam elevator ascending to the third floor, which will be kept running during businesss hours for the accommodation of the occupants of these offices and their friends and patrons. This will be the first and only passenger elevator ever built in Decatur and will be a novelty in its way. Four of the offices on each of the second and third floors will front on the park and four on Water street, and the windows on all the floors will be of French plate glass. Wide halls divide the offices, and two flights of stairways lead to the third floor, so that the means of escape in case of fire are ample. The basement will be fitted up in fine style for business purposes, and a stone pavement of regulation width will extend on the south and west sides of the block.

The entire building will be heated by steam.

The plans for this structure were drawn by Mr. Will O. McNabb, who designed and built the George D. Haworth mansion. The block will be of the Romanesque style of architecture with a pretty combination of modern ideas in the way of trimming.

It is the purpose of Mr. Haworth to have the building ready for occupancy by Sept. 1st. He has given notice to the present occupants of the corner to vacate by the 20th of this month, and in a few days an advertisement will be inserted in the papers asking for bids.

A Between Sale Day.

On Tuesday, March 20th, will be a sale day for stock at Davis' wagon yard. The regular day is the first Tuesday in each month. Over 50 head on last sale day came out in the rain. Some ten or twelve were sold. H. W. DAVIS.

March 15—w1

THE Michael Eichinger auction sale of stock and farm implements took place yesterday at the Eichinger farm, east of the city. There was a good attendance, and fair prices were secured.

THE wife of Mr. W. R. Jewell, editor of the Danville *News*, died on Monday evening last, after a short illness.

From Wednesday's Daily.

A Narrow Escape.

This county this forenoon came near being bereft of a master in chancery and a good citizen. The gentleman alluded to is Mr. John A. Brown, who was seated in his buggy and driving rapidly around the Fleury corner. The nag was going so fast that it stumbled and fell flat as the turn was being made. Mr. Brown who held on to the lines, was jerked out of the buggy and fell head-long beneath the front wheels of the rig, his face just missing a collision with one wheel. A crowd of men rushed to the assistance of Mr. Brown, and he was released from his perilous position before the frightened horse could regain his feet. Mr. Brown arose, his clothing covered with dust. He was found to be uninjured and is exceedingly thankful that he escaped without a scratch. The buggy was not damaged nor was the horse injured. Moral—Don't drive rapidly when turning a corner.

A WORD TO FARMERS.

The Place to Go for Good Harness at Low Prices

David Hamsher, the veteran harness dealer, whose well-filled store is the first door north of the New Deming hotel, desires to inform our citizens and the farmers generally that he has the finest and most complete stock of serviceable harness in Decatur, and he invites all needing anything in his line to give him a call. The stock embraces everything in the harness line, and all will be sold cheap. Mr. Hamsher carries a full line of novelties in plain and ornamental harness, and defies successful competition as to quality of goods and prices. Harness made to order, and repair work of every description a specialty. Remember the place—first door north of the New Deming hotel. Mar. 15-wtf

The Closing Meeting.

Saturday night and Sunday afternoon Brother Jake Hoofstitler had large numbers of people out to hear him at the tabernacle, where he delivered two temperance addresses that were well received. Brother Jake's engagement in Decatur closed on Sunday afternoon with something over 100 signers to the pledge. He went to Atlanta to-day, where he will speak to-night and to-morrow night. He may return to Decatur on Wednesday and speak that evening, and from here he will go to Beatrice, Nebraska. The usual temperance meeting will be held next Saturday night.

Risky, Isn't It?

The Mattoon city council at its meeting last Tuesday night granted the Mattoon Mining Company a right of way under the city, with privileges of mining. The width of the territory granted extends from the Illinois Central track to E street. Permission was also given to lay tracks across several streets near the mine to connect with the P., D. & E. If such a proposition was to come up before the Decatur council, the clerk's desk would be loaded down with remonstances from hundreds of citizens.

The Brenneman Parade.

"Blood will tell," and if you don't believe it look upon the grand parade of D. W. Brenneman & Bro.'s celebrated Norman and Clydesdale stallions, which will be made in Decatur on Saturday, March 24th. The attention of farmers is specially called to this parade, which will be well worth witnessing.

Carson and the Wabash.

There is the best authority for stating, says the Indianapolis *Journal*, that J. B. Carson has agreed to take the head of affairs on the Wabash system of roads providing Jay Gould will let him commence with a clear financial record, or in other words, he wants Jay Gould to pay the floating debt—$5,725,570—before he takes hold. Mr. Carson wants surplus money to improve the roadbed and equipments with. The fact is that there is not a division of the Wabash system, unless it be the Detroit and Indianapolis, that has not been neglected, and in physical condition much worse than two years ago. This remark may not apply strictly to equipments, but it will to the roadbed, and large purchases of steel rails, cross ties, new bridges, etc., will be a necessity whether Mr. Carson takes hold or not.

Don't Run Any More.

A week ago Sunday the day Chicago Express and the two Accommodation trains were taken off the Wabash, for reasons not made clear. It is stated that the experiment of running the full number of trains on Sundays as well as on week days, has not proven remunerative, and the day express each way will be taken off if any, as it can be spared with least inconvenience to the traveling public.

MR. GEORGE PATTERSON, the bookkeeper at Mr. John Ullrich's wholesale grocery house, ought to be proud, and he is no doubt. The office is now ornamented with a handsome new Diebold burglar and fire proof safe, which cost about $1,400. It weighs 7,000 pounds. The storage space is 40x50 inches in size and 18 inches deep, giving ample room for the large and small books, and besides there are numerous pigeon-holes and locked receptacles for papers. The "money box" is made extra strong.

THE DECATUR PULPITS.

Jubilee Services over 1,500 Converts at the Chapel—15 Additions to the Church

Services at Other Churches in the City—Large Congregations

From Monday's Daily.

The threat of Wiggins that a disastrous blow would sweep over the country on Sunday did not intimidate the church going people of Decatur. They turned out at all of the services in goodly numbers, giving little or no heed to the alarming predictions of the Canadian, who is doubtless one of the many weather cranks who bob up serenely now and then, in the hope of gaining a little notoriety—hit or miss.

THE HARRISON MEETINGS.

The Union Methodist services were held at Stapp's Chapel, when at 10:30 a. m., Rev. Musgrove occupied the pulpit, and preached the morning sermon. While he was speaking a young lady in the body of the congregation was converted. She afterward stated that she had to place her hand over her lips to keep from shouting. At 3:30 p. m. Rev. Harrison conducted the grand jubilee service at the Chapel over 1500 conversions as a result of the revival, which has been in progress for nearly 15 weeks. During the afternoon fifteen or twenty persons united with the church on probation. The young people's meeting at 6:15 and the revival at 7, were held at the First M. E. Church, and both services were so largely attended that many were unable to gain admission. At the revival meeting there were 52 at the altar and numerous conversions, most of them of the shouting kind. There were four conversions after the benediction was pronounced. There is no abatement in the interest or attendance. Regular revival services to-night.

OTHER CHURCHES.

"Hating Father and Mother" was the subject of an excellent discourse delivered before a large congregation at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday forenoon by Rev. W. H. Prestley, the pastor. His subject at the evening service, when the church was again filled, was, "Godly Parents and Wicked Children.

There was a very large congregation present at the forenoon service at the Baptist church which listened to an excellent sermon from the pastor from First Timothy, 4th chapter and 13th verse: "Till I come give attention to doctrine." It was a discourse full of interest, and was listened to with marked attention. In the evening the house was full and heard a very interesting sermon from the parable of the wise and foolish virgins as given in the 25th chapter of Matthew, 1st to 10th verses. After the sermon two young ladies were baptised. There will be meetings each evening this week, and it is hoped that there may be a full house each night and that all who come will be greatly benefitted.

Sunday morning Rev. Trueblood at the United Brethren church preached a sermon to the young converts, and at the evening service he delivered a discourse on the influence and good of the church. The attendance at all the services was large. It was decided to resume the revival work, as there is renewed interest. There will be services this evening and every night this week. Thus far there have been 33 additions to the U. B. church this winter and 37 conversions.

The services at the Christian church Sunday were very well attended. Elder Pinkerton delivered two able discourses. His subject at 10:30 was "The Peril and Rescue of Faith." At the evening service "The Result of a Misspent Life" was the subject. There were four confessions of faith in Christ during the day and one addition by letter. At the close of the evening service there were three immersions. There have been about 30 additions to the Christian church this winter under the pastorate of Elder Pinkerton, who is very popular with his people, and is highly esteemed by our citizens generally.

Wooden Wedding Celebration.

The fifth anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs' wedded life was celebrated at Oreana on the 10th inst. There was a goodly number present, and all enjoyed themselves splendidly. The young folks did their best to have a good time and they succeeded. Both old and young men played ball. There were four white washes on one side. Dr. Turpin is the champion player.

We will now come to the presents, of which there was an abundance: Mr., Mrs. and Miss C. H. Garver, a nice rocking-chair; Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Ayers, a nice majolica pitcher; Mr. and Mrs. Bonafield, two picture frames; Miss Emma Fortner, picture frame; Mrs. Sallie Reeme, one set of knives and forks; Mr. J. H. Burgess, a half bushel measure; Willie and Allie Ayers, water bucket; Dr. Turpin, water bucket; Miss Ellen O'Brien, picture frame; O. Reeme, potatoe masher: John and Samuel Cooper, picture and frame; Mrs. M. A. Spooner, rolling-pin, market basket and vegetable dish; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bullack, one butter print; a boot jack and potato masher by the Oreana loafers with their best wishes for Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs. They were highly pleased with the presents received from friends and relatives; also a present from Gourd Neck by Mr. John Smith, an armful of wood. The table was a wonder; three kinds of meat, sauce and jellies. There were so many different dishes that I could not mention all of them. There were fourteen cakes and no two alike. X.

A Fine Entertainment Coming.

On Monday evening next the celebrated artists, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. Knight, are to appear at the opera house in their powerful new comedy drama entitled "Baron Rudolph." The Knights are under the management of Fred G. and B. G. Berger, who are famous throughout the country for the quality of the entertainments they manage and whose name in connection with an attraction is at once a recommendation as to its superiority. The Knights are accompanied by a company of more than usual excellence, and our readers are assured a performance of exceptional merit. "Baron Rudolph," the new comedy drama by Bronson Howard, which Mr. and Mrs. Knight will present here, has achieved a marked success. The plot is powerful and evolved with great skill, the situations ingenious, and the dialogue bright and forcible. Mr. Knight, who is a finished actor, invests the character of the Baron with deep interest. Mrs. Knight as Mrs. Dashwood, a gay widow, divides with Mr. Knight the honors, and sings several songs, which win warm appreciation from the audience, and the whole performance is even and satisfactory. A good house will undoubtedly greet them here.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Death from Paralysis.

An aged and well-known German citizen, a native of Prussia, Frederick Stommel, died last night at 10 o'clock at the family residence on West Main street, in the 72d year of his age. The deceased, who was a baker by occupation, and had lived in Decatur since 1855, was stricken with paralysis two weeks ago, and did not rally. Mr. Stommel was born on Jan. 24, 1812. He came to America in 1848, and lived at Cincinnati until he removed to this city 28 years ago. In 1841 he was united in marriage to Caroline Baker, and she and five children survive the deceased. Mr. Stommel was an intelligent German who had many friends in this community, whose sympathy will be extended to the bereaved widow and family.

The New Pension Law.

The bill amending the pension laws by increasing the pensions of soldiers and sailors who have lost an arm or a leg in the service provides that all persons on the pension rolls, and all persons hereafter granted a pension, who, while in the military or naval service of the United States, and in the line of duty shall have lost one hand or foot, or been permanently disabled so as to render their incapacity to perform manual labor equivalent to the loss of a hand or foot, shall receive a pension of $24 per month; that all persons now on the pension rolls, and all persons hereafter granted a pension, who in like manner shall have lost either an arm at or above the elbow, or a leg at or above the knee, or shall have been otherwise so disabled as to be incapacitated to perform manual labor, but not so much as to require regular personal aid and attendance, shall receive a pension of $30 per month. Many pensioners in Macon county are benefitted by this change in the law.

Wabash Pay Day.

The Decatur employes of the Wabash Company were paid off to-day by Paymaster Shepherd. Early this morning Mr. Shepherd receipted at the Pacific express office for a package containing $35,000, sent to his address from headquarters. Not all of this large sum will be left in Decatur—about $8,000 perhaps. The men were paid off for the month of January, and in a short time the officials say they will get their cash for February services.

Duffin's Trial Put Off.

We find the following Belleville item of interest in the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* of to-day, referring to Felton, *alias* John R. Duffin, the alleged forger:

In the case of H. S. Felton, the forger, a motion to quash the indictment was argued yesterday morning and overruled. The prosecution then expected that the case would go to trial, but counsel for the defense not being ready advantage was taken of the fact that the case had lost its place on the calendar, and asked that it be reset. This was ordered by the court, and the case will not be tried until near the end of the term.

DIED.

At his late residence at No. 69 North College street on Tuesday morning, March 13, JOHN AUSTIN BROWN, aged 45 years.

The deceased volunteered at the age of 16 as a soldier in the war of the rebellion for three years, at the expiration of which and in the last year of the war he again enlisted and served for three years in Co. C, 5th U. S. Infantry. He leaves a widow and one child of four years. He was known among his acquaintances for his kindly disposition and all those sterling qualities of heart that make the true soldier and citizen.

ON Saturday, at the home of Elijah Bundy, southwest of the city, MRS. REA, at an advanced age.

The deceased was the mother of Mrs. Bundy, Richard, Jack and James Rea.

Horses Wanted.

From March 17th to April 5th I will be at my place of business, 37 North Church street, Decatur, Ill., to buy good, sound, well broken horses; weight from 1,000 to 1300 pounds each.

March 15—d1w w2t E. B. PRATT.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Joel Hume is the guest of relatives at Long Creek.

Solon Royal has a full-blooded Gordon setter, named "Romeo," which he says $500 could not buy.

Billy Forstmyer has been connected with Ed. Athons' grocery store on West Main street for several months.

Mrs. J. H. Hoofstitler will remain in Decatur for several weeks, and will be the guest of Mr. M. P. Murphey and family during her stay here.

Dr. J. M. Gregory, who has been appointed one of the three civil service reform commissioners, receives a salary of $5,000 a year.

Jas. Walker and family departed for Evansville, Ind., Saturday evening. Mr. W. has been in the employ of the Decatur coal company.

Charles Pollock, late of Danville, Ill., and Ashtabula, Ohio, has assumed the position of cashier at John Irwin's white front clothing store.

I. O. Eyman and F. L. Wood have taken stock in Sneezeless Snuff. "Ike" says it's a shade better than Palmea soap and Frank will take a lot of it with him next summer when he goes fishing.

Hon. Shaw Pease, formerly of Niantic, is in the city to-day. His home is at Peoria, where, on South Adams street, he has been engaged in the retail grocery business for the past two years.

Smith Crowder has returned to the city from Denver, Col., where he was employed in a large retail book store. Smith says Denverites claim a population of 75,000 for their Chicago of the west.

George W. Petzer, of Whitmore, was in town to-day, stepping high. Another "Pride of Whitmore" arrived at his home the other day—a boy, the fourth addition to the family.

Mrs. Dinet, of Chicago, an experienced trimmer and a skillful milliner, has been engaged by Mrs. Einstein at her fashion emporium. Mrs. Dinet will arrive in Decatur in a few days.

Eugene T. Shaw, who left his place at Blue Mound to go to Springfield to become station agent for the Wabash road at that city, has given notice that he desires to retire from the position.

A. F. Hopkins, of Elwin, a member of the board of trustees of the United Brethren College, located at Westfield, Clark Co., Ill., departed for that town to-day to attend an important business meeting of the board. He will be absent all week.

Evangelist Black closed his revival work at the Christian church in Watseka on Monday night. He preached for five consecutive weeks and secured 85 additions to the Watseka church. Mr. Black was in Tuscola yesterday.

J. C. Hostetler, who went to New Orleans ahead of the Mardi Gras festival, paid us a call yesterday afternoon, having returned home some days ago. J. C. visited points in Texas while south, was out doors a great deal, and is now somewhat tanned from exposure to the sun.

J. Leslie Evans arrived in the city last night from San Jose, Cal., where he is engaged in business. He is registered at the St. Nicholas, and will remain in Decatur about a month. He says Hon. E. O. Smith will visit Decatur in May next to look after his property in this section.

Lawyer Harris will leave for Dakota on the 27th of the present month. He thinks of locating in the new country. A. C. Mouser went to Dakota last year with only $600 in cash. He bought town lots, and is now said to be worth $15,000.

Colonel Robert Ingersoll weighs 250 pounds. The *Hawkeye* man read this statement, then he searched the Scriptures and found that "the liberal soul shall be made fat." Thus is Ingersol confronted with a Biblical fact that he can neither gainsay nor refute, and of which he is a living exponent.

Dr. C. V. Rockwell, of Taylorville, recently received from the Travelers' Insurance Co., of Hartford, Conn., indemnity for the time he was disabled by accident, from business, at the rate of $25 per week, the amount being $135.71. Had death resulted from the accident, his family would have received $5,000. The policy cost $25 per year.

Ed. Bramble, of the U. S. railway mail service, will take Aten Lytle's place as mailing clerk in the Decatur postoffice on the 16th, when Aten will begin work as book keeper in the office of the Thatcher Lumber Co. Ed. will act temporarily until some "raw recruit" can be broken in to handle the letters swiftly. Mr. Bramble will probably return to his old position on the road, as he has nearly recovered from the injuries received in the Carpenter wreck.

Mr. Thomas Capps, of the Stafford house in London, England, writes to his brother and sister, of this state, that he has made his will in their favor. He is reported to be worth from $1,000,000 to $4,000,000. This will be a snug fortune to the recipients and each of their children. They are to be congratulated on this good fortune to be, on the old gentleman's death. The beautiful and amiable Miss Ida Capps, of Vandalia, who is now visiting her uncle in London, will probably be a great heiress at his death. —*Mt. Pulaski Citizen.*

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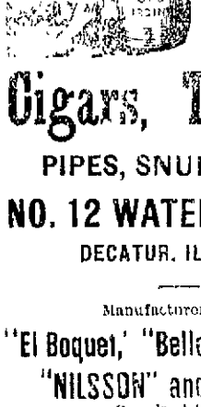

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Feb 15—w1ow4t

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May 13, 1882—d&wtf

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May 15—d&wtf

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Aug. 21-d&wtf

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Feb. 9, 1881—d&wy

THE city of Portland, Oregon, which ten years ago had a population of less than 12,000, has to-day nearly three times that number. Washington Territory is also advancing with rapid strides. Thirty years ago Puget Sound's first sawmill was built. To day there are numerous towns in which lumber-sawing is the main industry. In 1881 150,000,000 cubic feet of lumber were exported. The amount sawed in 1882 is estimated at over 300,000,000 feet. The mills are nearly all lighted by electricity, and are the scene of ceaseless labor. Various kindred forms of industry have arisen out of the abundance of timber, including cooperage and shipbuilding. Among recent settlers in this favored region are some of the Russian Jewish immigrants, and reports give good ground for believing in a successful issue to their agricultural experiments.

THE famous Walled Lake in the state of Iowa, 150 miles west of Dubuque, has recently attracted much attention. It is in the midst of prairie land, and is two or three feet above the earth's surface. It is enclosed by a wall of stones in some places ten feet high, fifteen feet wide at the bottom, and five feet wide at the top. The stones vary in weight from three tons to 100 pounds. There are no stones on the surface of the ground within ten miles of the lake. A few years ago the ice on the lake broke the wall in several places, and the farmers were obliged to repair it to prevent inundation.

British Wheat Consumption.

The annual wheat consumption of the United Kingdom is nearly 200,000,000 bushels. About 75,000,000 bushels of this are produced in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales; 90,000,000 bushels are furnished by the United States, 10,000,000 by Canada, and 25,000,000 bushels from India and Russia. Of the latter amount 10,000,000 bushels come from India, which is rapidly coming to the front as a competitor with Canada and the United States in the supply of the British wheat market.

EX-SENATOR HENDRICKS, of Indiana, who has been laid up with a sore foot for several months, has started on a southern tour ostensibly for the benefit of his toe, but really in the interest of his Presidential boom. The Indiana papers and the ex Senator's friends do not try to conceal the fact that he is a wide-awake, get-it-if-I-can aspirant for the Democratic Presidential nomination, and is straining every energy to secure a perfect organization in every locality where he has friends. Ex Senator McDonald, who is also a candidate, regards the matter complacently, and is nursing a boom of his own that bids fair to outstrip Hendricks

WHY CONTINUE the use of remedies that only relieve, when Elys' Cream Balm, pleasant of application and a sure cure for Catarrh, Hay Fever and Cold in head, can be had for 50 cents?

Apply into the nostrils with little finger.

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MY SON, aged nine years, was afflicted with Catarrh; the use of Elys' Cream Balm effected a complete cure. W. E. HAMMAN, Druggist, Easton, Pa.

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PRETTY wall baskets can be made by taking one of the rough straw hats so much worn at the seaside a year or two ago. If a flower or vine is not already embroidered on it, add some such decoration; then line the hat with muslin or silesia, finish the edge with a pleating of ribbon, and tie a ribbon in a knot and fasten to it for a handle. The hat may be flattened by pressure, or by using stout linen thread for that purpose.

ONE of the many strange episodes of the recent Western floods was the finding of an infant near Louisville floating in a cradle in the river. A man who was rowing around in search of wreckage saw the cradle, and on rowing up to it was surprised to find a beautiful infant, about three months old, gazing up to the sky in open-mouthed wonder. The little waif was comfortably and warmly dressed, and had not received the slightest harm. Its parents have not yet been found.

FULL line of piece goods just received at Decatur's One-Price Clothing and Merchant Tailoring House, corner of Old Square. m'ch7-d&wtf

ELEGANCE of design, perfection of fit, excellence of finish, have established the highest reputation for our goods and consequent success to our customers. Your examination of our stock is respectfully solicited. FLEURY, the French Cutter. mch7-d&wtf

OVERCOATS, Suits, Underwear, Hats, Caps, Trunks, &c., at extremely low prices to make room for our big Spring Stock. CHEAP CHARLEY

THE Dixon (Ill.) *Telegraph* says that among the letters of condolence received by Mrs Dement, on account of the death of her husband, Colonel John Dement, of that place, was one from Jefferson Davis, president of the late Southern Confederacy. When an officer in the regular army and stationed at Prairie du Chien, Lieutenant Davis was a frequent visitor at Galena, and there met Mrs. Dement, then Miss Dodge, daughter of the governor of Wisconsin. Mrs. Dement and Jefferson Davis were warm friends in those early days, and of course there still exist pleasant reminiscences of the long ago.

THE mayor of Boston refused to approve a bill of $8,000 presented for "refreshments" and carriage hire for the aldermen. What a sad disappointment it must have been to the men who elected the aldermen and sold them the whis—refreshments.

THE city of Macon has a cornet band, the members of which are getting ready to cut a swell on the 4th of July. The members are C. S. Christian and E. S. Combs, 1st E flat; M. A. Magruder, 1st B flat; R. B. Richmond, 2d B flat, John Shaffer, 1st alto; G. W. Shaffer, 2d alto; Wm. Mays, 1st tenor, Robt. Meech, 2d tenor, Wm Patterson, B bass; R. D. Merriss, E flat tuba; Chas. Gibson, bass drum; H. G. Whittaker, tenor drum; Frank Gibson cymbals.

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Feb. 15—d&w2mo

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We challenge any house west of New York to compete in patterns, colorings, quality and prices, with our new spring styles of carpets, wall paper, decorations and curtains, of which we have the largest stock ever exhibited in Decatur.

feb21-d&wtf. ABEL & LOCKE.

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Our offerings for the spring season 1883 comprise the choicest styles of foreign and domestic woolens, which will be made to order in the latest styles and perfect fit guaranteed to everybody; your patronage is solicited. Respectfully,

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Feb. 19—d&wtf R. LIDDLE.

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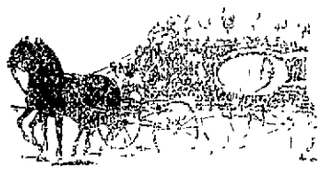

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March 2, 1883—d&wtf

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Respectfully beg leave to announce that their

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Which took place on Thursday, March 1st, 1883, resulted as follows.

Ticket 4142 drew the $85 HAMSHER IRON FELLOE FARM WAGON.
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" 3787 the $40.00 SUIT MADE to order
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" 6874 the $25 00 " OVERCOAT
" 5468 the $20.00 " SUIT.
" 8651 the $20.00 YOUTH'S SUIT.
" 3415 the $20.00 " OVERCOAT
" 4225 the $15.00 " SUIT.
" 1548 the $10.00 BOYS' SUIT.
" 14508 the $10.00 " OVERCOAT
" 4868 the $15 00 PANTS TO ORDER.
" 1132 the $15 00 ZINC TRUNK.
" 8614 the $10.00 MOROCCO VALISE
" 10621 the $40 00 SEWING MACHINE
" 10435 the $20 00 BRONZE CLOCK from Otto E. Curtis & Co.,
" 15345 the 45.00 SILVER WATER SET from E. D. Bartholomew & Co.
" 3685 the $35 00 SET of HARNESS from J. W. Tyler.
" 6147 the $22.00 VAPOR STOVE, three Burner Stand, Hot Water Tank from Ferguson Stove Co
" 15332 the $25 00 HAWORTH CHECK ROWER
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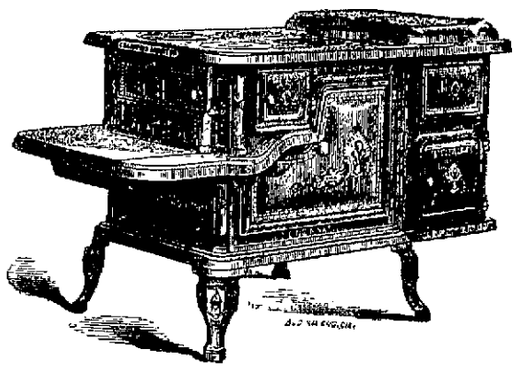

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NEW GOODS EVERY DAY.

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Dec. 21, 1882—d&wtf

NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE®

THAT TEA PARTY.

A Pleasant Affair Arranged by Mrs. W. W. Foster at the County Jail.

From Friday's Daily.

The members of the board of supervisors were very pleasantly entertained last evening in the residence portion of the county jail, by Mrs. W. W. Foster, wife of our worthy sheriff. The board had accepted the invitation o the lady to take tea with the family, but before doing so they made their inspection of the jail department as required by law, and found everything, as it always is, neat and trim. The board then gathered about the festal tables, which were laden with one of the most tempting repasts imaginable, which Mrs. Foster, who is *au fait* in the culinary art, had prepared with especial care for the entertainment of her guests, who represented every township in this growing county of 35,000 inhabitants. The occasion was an unusual social event in the history of the board and was in every way richly enjoyed by the members, who have only words of praise for the generous hospitality of Sheriff Foster and his estimable wife.

At the close of the repast, on behalf of the board, Supervisor VanLeer, of Friends Creek township, spoke as follows:

Probably there was never a more surprised board of supervisors than was this board when the communication was read to them that, owing to the uniform kindness of the board to the sheriff, Mrs. Foster would be happy to have them to tea. Thus are we continually reminded of the faithfulness of God's greatest blessing to man—a true wife. And for this imagined indebtedness are we indebted for this splendid entertainment. The standards by which this board measures county officers are efficiency and honesty. In these our worthy sheriff owes us nothing. His office brings him continually in contact with the dark side of humanity. Almost daily he sees those who have descended to the lowest depths of degradation, which might almost cause him to doubt the dispensation of an All-wise Providence, and sear as it were his finer feelings for humanity; but with these pleasant surroundings we are assured that in this building we have the two extremes, and therefore he has only a step from the dark criminal cells to the elevating influences of a bright and happy home.

Joy, Joy to the World.

If you meet a man who looks as if he had lost all his friends, had his house burned down and business destroyed, just make up your mind that he either has dyspepsia or his liver is out of order. The best thing you can do for such a woe-begone individual is to advise him to go to Dr. A. J. Stoner's drug store and get a bottle of Dr. Jones' Red Clover Tonic, which will cure him without fail. Also an infallible remedy for pimples and blotches on the face. Only 50 cents a bottle. 4

From Thursday's Daily.

The Supervisors' Spread.

Last June the county officers entertained the members of the board of supervisors at a dinner at the New Deming Hotel, and the members of the board, not to be out done in the matter of hospitality, dined the county officers at the St. Nicholas to-day. About forty sat down to the well-spread board and did ample justice to the *menu* provided by mine host Laux. The affair was entirely informal—no speeches, no toasts—nothing but good solid eating and cheerful conversation. We said "cheerful" conversation, for when is the average male biped so cheerful as when storing away a supply of choice provender. The press was represented through the courtesies of the board, which is why we came to know so much about the character of the bill of fare.

C. F. Bachman & Bro'

If you wish to get value received call on C. F. Bachman & Bro. They keep a full line of Bed Room Suits, Parlor Suits, Book Cases, Mattresses, Spring Beds, Chairs, etc. Also the celebrated Superior Cook Stove, the best in the world; every stove fully guaranteed. Remember the place and give them a call. Sign of the Big Elephant, south of the Park.

April 7-d&w1y

FARMERS Friend corn planters for sale by Leavitt & Royal. mar7wtf

LAUX & SCHUGGS have now in stock a large and elegant assortment of Carpetings, Wall Paper, Lace Curtains and window materials of every description. Our facilities for acquiring the most choice goods, at the lowest prices, are not excelled by any house in the United States. We sell more goods than any other house in the United States according to population, and with less expense according to amount of sales. Purchasers had better note this fact before making their purchases. feb14-d&wtf

GO THEY MUST.

We mean our Overcoats. Prices less than cost of manufacture, at

CHEAP CHARLEY'S.

WE are closing out our Dolmans, Circulars and Cloaks at an immense reduction. LINN & SCRUGGS.

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Great Overcoat sale now in operation at CHEAP CHARLEY'S.

Just Received.

New and handsome carpetings; also an elegant assortment of embroideries, at LINN & SCRUGGS'. Jan. 20, d&wtf

FURST & BRADLEY plows, cultivators rakes &c., for sale by Leavitt & Royal, Decatur, Ill. mar7wtf

THE Little Plano Binder for sale by Leavitt & Royal has not been improved this year. It did not need it. mar7wtf

LINN & SCRUGGS have made another great reduction in fine French dress goods. feb13-d&wtf

WE don't ask you to buy, but merely price our Overcoats, and we will convince you at once that what we advertise is the naked truth. CHEAP CHARLEY,

The People's Money Saver

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

THE county bridges will not be elevated this year—some other year, perhaps.

WHO wants to buy the Macon county fair grounds? Don't all speak at once.

CALL on J. W. Tyler for fine harness, made to order. Repair work a specialty

FINE driving and farm harness made to order, cheap, at J. W. Tyler's harness store. Give Tyler a trial.

AT Grove City, when a person in that neighborhood dies, the church bell is tolled.

THE wooden wedding of Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Foster was pleasantly celebrated at Niantic on Wednesday evening.

FRESH butter and eggs, mince meat, and a full line of family groceries at Pope & Bro's. store in opera block.

LADIES can buy Rochester fine shoes of J. W. Baker cheaper than at any other store in the city. Mar. 2-dawtf

E. R. CLARKE, Gilford, Ill., says: "Brown's Iron Bitters cured me of dyspepsia, dyspeptic colic, and belching spells." 9

AS a result of the Methodist revival of nine weeks, at Bloomington, 420 persons have united with the church.

THE question of restraining cattle from running at large will be submitted to a vote of the people at the approaching April election at Macon.

THE city election will occur on the 3rd Tuesday in April. The possible candidate spoken of for mayor are W. B. Chambers, L. L. Haworth, D. S. Shellabarger, W. W. Foster and H. W. Waggoner.

LEAVITT & ROYAL will not be beaten in prices by any one that sells first-class farm implements. mar7wtf

William Stare will remove to Cerro Gordo to-morrow, where he will engage in the drain tile business.

Col. W. H. Harris, of Cleveland, formerly of Decatur, is president of the new street railway company, recently organized at Indianapolis.

Jacob Danzeisen, late of the firm of Bleuz & Danzeisen, butchers, will engage in business again on his own hook as soon as he can find a suitable opening.

Frank Imboden has a $2.50 gold piece in his possession which somebody gave him at the postoffice the other day for a one cent piece. Frank didn't discover the mistake until after the party had disappeared.

THE capital "M" on the lower part of the neck of the bust that ornaments the standard silver dollar, is the initial of Mr. Morgan, who designed the coin. It is so small that it is scarcely discernable to the naked eye.

A 50-POUND U. S. Standard test weight given away with every Victor farm scale sold by Leavitt & Royal. mar7wtf

AT the meeting of the Decatur Gun Club last evening, the challenge of the Mt. Zion club for a glass ball shoot was accepted and the 21st inst. was the day fixed upon for the contest. Tom Forbes was elected assistant secretary, in place of J. H. Durfee, resigned.

IF the state capital is to be removed Farmer Coltrin says the Decatur "Socks" want it placed near the "Lone Elm," close by Niantic, which they say is the exact geographical center of the state. Capt. Jonb Wilkinson also favors this proposition.

THE board of supervisors of Logan county have received petitions from the following townships calling for aid in rebuilding or repairing bridges: Chester, $1,700, three bridges; Laenna, $900, new bridge; West Lincoln, $1,000, three bridges; Sheridan, $2,500, four bridges; Oran, $1,152, four bridges; Elkhart, $750.

SAYS a smart writer on the Taylorville *Republican*: "Rev. Harrison has converted 1400 sinners at Decatur. He must be nearly out of material.' Not quite, smarty. Decatur is a city of 12,000 inhabitants, and we have still left a few Christian county people who have not been among those at the mercy seat. Come up, and we'll do you good.

TO-DAY William Bundy, the well-known farmer, is announced as a candidate for overseer of highways in District No. 3, Decatur township. Mr. Bundy submits his name subject to the Republican convention, and if nominated he will be elected triumphantly. He would make an excellent overseer.

IT is reported that during a recent visit of the sheriff of Sangamon county to Joliet, Newt. Crafton, who is serving a life sentence, received in Macon county, informed him that some cracksmen were preparing to work Springfield, and the point selected was the St. Nicholas hotel. Crafton is employed in the prison clerk's office, and obtained his information from letters that passed through his hands.

AT the meeting of the county board yesterday afternoon the application of the agricultural board for an appropriation of $2,000, to be used in fixing up the fair grounds, was refused. Supervisor Hill introduced a resolution to the effect that whenever a party of not less than ten responsible men, citizens of Macon county, shall pay into the county treasury the sum of $6,500, and shall execute a good and sufficient bond and obligation to put the said grounds in good repair and otherwise fit the same as a driving park, and give the free use of the same for one week in each and every year for the purpose of holding a county, district or state fair there, then, and in that case the county will execute a deed of conveyance to said ground.

SOFT-SOLED shoes at J. W. BAKER'S. Mar. 2-d&wtf

"A TALE OF TWO CITIES."

Author of the "Surprise Marriage" Article Discovered.

From Saturday's Daily.

The following card received to-day explains itself. We give it place in justice to Mrs. Sublett, who had nothing to do with the affair:

THE EXACT COPY.

LINCOLN, ILL., March 9, 1883.

This is to certify that I, of my own free will and accord, wrote the piece to the Decatur REPUBLICAN under the head of a surprise wedding at the Commercial Hotel between Mr. A. E. White, of Lincoln, and Miss Katie Holland, of Decatur, and that I forged the name of Mrs. J. D. Sublett to said communication, and I am now truly sorry for so doing.

(Signed) KITTIE HOLLAND.

Witnesses: Josie Holland, A. E. White, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sublett.

The Mr. A. E. White named is a young carpenter who is a boarder at the Commercial hotel in Lincoln. He took the trouble Thursday to visit Decatur at the bidding of Miss Holland for the purpose of assuring her parents who live in Decatur that she was not married, and she also asked him to call at the REPUBLICAN office and get the copy of the article and learn the name of the author. Mr. White did as he was bidden and went back to Lincoln with the forged account, and the above open confession is the *finale* of the investigation, which created such a ripple in certain circles in Decatur and Lincoln. Mr. White has been paying attentions to Miss Holland, and no doubt he was greatly astounded on learning that she had sent the account to the REPUBLICAN for publication. All parties concerned are respectable people. Mr. White stated in this office Thursday evening that friends at Lincoln had told him not to push the investigation any further, for in case he did, he would not only be astonished but mortified should the search for the real author of the article prove successful. Matters at the Commercial hotel, where Miss Holland is employed, cannot be very peaceful at the present writing.

The P. D. & E. Road.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the P. D. & E. railway was held on Tuesday in the office of the general manager, Geo. L. Bradbury. C. R. Cummings, of Chicago, Geo. I. Seney and John T. Martin, of New York, whose terms of office as directors expired, were re-elected. The full board of directors, as now constituted, is as follows: Nelson Robinson, E. H. R. Lyman, Geo. I. Seney and John T. Martin, of New York; C. R. Cummings and John B. Cohrs, of Chicago; Charles Denby and Charles Vide, of Evansville, and Geo. L. Bradbury, of Peoria. A meeting of the directors will soon be called for the election of officers for the ensuing year.

From Friday's Daily.

The Bridge Question.

At the meeting of the county board this forenoon the proposition to make an appropriation of $14,000, to be used in raising the county bridges and the approaches to the same two feet and a half, was voted down, after some discussion in which Supervisors VanLeer, McReynolds, Ward, Manecke, Hill and Freeman participated. Mr. D. A. Maflit, road commissioner, was present, and on invitation addressed the board on the importance of making the improvements outlined in the petition presented; he thought the amount named would be money well invested. To repair the bridges and approaches it will require an expenditure of about $3,000, and unless the board makes some sort of an appropriation, the burden will have to be borne by the taxpayers of Decatur township. The damaged bridges which span the Sangamon river and Stevens' creek are all in Decatur township, except one or two.

From Saturday's Daily.

WHILE at the poor farm yesterday State's Attorney Johns was interviewed by one of the cranks, Henderson Fleet, who imagines that he has loaned large sums of money to many of our well-known and wealthy citizens. Fleet claims to have not less than $300,000,000 loaned out. Mr. Johns is his attorney, and Fleet, when he sees him, always inquires how much of that money he has collected. He was greatly concerned about his money yesterday, and seemed tickled and satisfied when Mr. Johns told him he had collected only about $75,000 of the many millions, but most of it he had appropriated as his fee. Somebody asked Fleet why he didn't engage Lawyer Buckingham to assist Mr. Johns in collecting the money, but he shook his head and said: "No, no, that wouldn't do."

An Inspector Wanted.

A practical miner states that the Decatur coal shaft is in much need of an inspector who thoroughly understands his business, as the miners are nearly suffocated for want of air in all parts of the mine. It is not at the bottom of the shaft that the state of the air in the mine can be tested. A SUFFERER.

L. L. FERRISS & Co. are in receipt of a large spring stock of men's fine shoes—Lilly, Brackett & Co.'s and Burt & Mears' manufacture—also Harry Gray's ladies' French kid, the finest in the land.

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Correct.

The state fair should be permanently located at Decatur. If so, the enterprising citizens of that city would make it a grand success. Decatur has more get-up-and-go than any city in Illinois—always excepting Chicago.—*Taylorville Republican.*

No experts needed with the Little Plano Binder, for sale by Leavitt & Royal. mar7wtf

PATTERSON—MURPHEY.

A QUIET WEDDING LAST NIGHT ON SOUTH MAIN STREET.

From Thursday's Daily.

The marriage of Mr. FRANK M. PATTERSON, of Chicago, and Miss LOTIE M. MURPHEY, was solemnized last evening at 8 o'clock, at the commodious residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin P. Murphey, No. 64 South Main street. The ceremony occurred in the tastefully adorned parlor, and was witnessed by about fifty of the relatives and more intimate friends of the family, among them Mrs. Patterson, mother of the groom, and his sister, Miss Patterson, of Mattoon; John Patterson, of Chicago, brother of the groom; Mrs. Bowen, of Ft. Scott, Kansas; Mrs. Boyd, of Taylorville; Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, of Mattoon, all relatives of the groom; Judge S. F. Greer, Mr. and Mrs. John Ullrich, Mrs. N. S. Haynes, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Whitsit and daughters, Mrs. Alexander, Miss Falconer, Mrs. Ferry and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mauzy, Frank Thompson, Miss Stevens, J. D. Wykle, H. L. Bridges, Mr. Werner, Miss Florence Dyke, of Harristown; Mr. and Mrs. Jacob H. Hoofstitler, of Sterling, Ill., and many others. The marriage ceremony, which was very impressive, was spoken by Rev. N. S. Haynes, state evangelist of the Christian church. The attendants were Maggie Murphey and Joe Murphey, sister and brother of the bride. The trosseau of the bride was procured from the establishment of Marshall Field & Co., Chicago, and she was tastefully attired in a rich brocade satin dress, moonlight on the lake tint, beautifully trimmed with cream lace. She wore the conventional bridal veil, and natural flowers as ornaments. The congratulations were supplemented by a sumptuous wedding repast, embracing everything obtainable, which was prepared under the direction of the bride's mother and served by the Butler Brothers. The bride received a large number of costly and useful gifts from relatives and friends, among which were a check for $100 and a piano, from her father; a $200 bedroom set from her mother; $10 in gold from each of her brothers, and a number of presents from the mother, sisters and brother of the groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Patterson departed on the night train for Chicago, where they will reside for the present. Mr. Patterson was formerly a resident of Decatur, and has many acquaintances here. At present he is engaged as an express messenger on the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago Ry. He is a young man of fine personal address, is intelligent and energetic. He has won for a bride a young lady who was born and reared in this community. She was educated at the Decatur high school and at the Highland Park Seminary near Chicago, and is young woman possessing many accomplishments.

The REPUBLICAN offers its best wishes to the young couple.

From Saturday's Daily.

A Generous Donation.

The members of the Christian church planned a very successful donation surprise on their pastor, Elder Pinkerton, and family, and it was brought to a happy conclusion last evening at the parsonage, where the donors in large numbers had gathered, unknown to the pastor, who had returned from the song service. To make the affair a complete surprise, the party met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Meriweather and then went in a body to the parsonage—not far distant. The gifts were presented in a neat speech by Judge Nelson, on behalf of the congregation. They included a purse of $65 in gold and silver, and a fine lot of provisions. The Elder was completely surprised, and could scarcely find words to give expression to his feelings. The faithful sexton of the church, Mr. Henry Adams, was equally amazed when the Judge called him to the front and presented him $22 in cash as a present from the congregation. It was a pleasant affair all around. After spending a few hours with the pastor and his family in a social way the donors took their departure.

Feed Yard.

Mr. J. W. Averitt has taken the wagon yard and feed stable at the corner of Church and Wood streets, and would be glad to receive the patronage of his friends and the public generally. Good accommodations for horses and vehicles: prices reasonable. feb15-3m*

From Thursday's Daily.

At Rest.

The funeral of Miss Luella Patterson occurred on yesterday afternoon from her late residence on East Eldorado street, and was largely attended by friends of the family. The services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Prestley, of the Presbyterian church, and the remains were interred in Greenwood cemetery with appropriate burial ceremonies. The deceased, who died of quick consumption, at the age of 23, was a sister of Mrs. William Carter. Her acquaintance in this community was quite extended, and those who knew her and admired her many excellent traits of character, mourn her premature death as they would one nearer and dearer to them.

JULIUS SEWOGEL, 819 Rebecca Street, Chicago, Ill., says: "Brown's Iron Bitters restored my strength when suffering from weakness."

YOUNG man, if you want a nobby shoe go to J. W. Baker's. Mar. 2-d&wtf

OUT OF THE COUNTY.

News Notes from Points Round About Us Near and Far.

Ground was broken at Danville Wednesday for water works.

At Lincoln a new city building is being talked of. The indebtedness of the city is now $67,000, and the taxes are $6.15 on the hundred.

The time-lock on the vault door of the DeWitt County National Bank at Clinton failed to do its duty last week, and it was necessary to cut through the door.

A farmer living on T. H. Day's farm, two miles west of Aurora, represents that the gross earnings of his 15 cows during the past year have been $1,200.

Col. Harris, of Cerro Gordo, has at last received a pension. The amount received as back pay is, as reported by him, five thousand two hundred dollars.

Dr. John R. Klapp, of Bement, has sold his farm of 360 acres, three miles southeast of that place, to Salathiel Miller, of Moultrie county, for $9,000.

Detective Rittenhouse has arrived at Danville with a Mr. Chambers, whom he arrested in Texas on a charge of stealing a horse sometime last fall from Aaron Tidro, near Georgetown. He lodged his man in jail to await his trial.

Wednesday evening about fifteen members of Frank Lowry Post, No. 157, went to Kenney for the purpose of mustering in Post 199, Commander J. A. Edmiston, of 157, acting as chief mustering officer. The Post starts out in a flourishing condition, and with a good membership. Captain Turner was elected commander and Frank Robbins vice-commander.

J. B. Lamkin, of Champaign, sold to Ed. Babb, of Compromise, the stallion colt, "Barney K," by Pilot Chief, dam Wild Maid, for $800. The colt is only two years old, but is a good one in every respect.

SHELBY county has a new court house, located at Shelbyville. It was finished last fall, and now it is being furnished with $6500 worth of furniture. It is said to be one of the finest court houses in Central Illinois.

Judge Smith has ordered that the county jail at Danville be renovated, new and clean bedding purchased for same and old bedding destroyed, sewers examined and opened, etc., so that the high-toned jail-birds will not object to the accommodations furnished.

Nathan Brittin, a young farmer living northeast of Leroy, a day or two since put about $500 in the stove for safe-keeping while he went to town. During his absence his wife, not knowing of the money, built a fire in the stove, when to her surprise two or three gold pieces came rattling through the grates. The balance being in paper, was burned.

About the best authority on the fruit crop is Henry Eaton, of Oran township, Logan county, who has an orchard of four thousand apple trees, besides several hundred pear, peach and cherry trees, which he pronounces entirely safe from the effects of the recent sleet storm, while the prospects for an abundant crop are very flattering. Mr. Eaton is an experienced farmer, and his orchard is one of the best cultivated in Logan county.

A citizen of Monticello has invented some kind of an improvement on the telephone, which bids fair to make him rich and famous. The *Scientific American* has raised a breeze for him and letters of inquiry from all over this country and Europe reach him daily.

B. J. Gifford owns over 7000 acres of slough land in Champaign county, near Rantoul, through which a big ditch was cut and 52 miles of tile laid in 1882. He reports during the last year on the land tiled, an average crop of 60 bushels to the acre; on untiled land the average was 20 bushels to the acre; oats on the tiled land averaged 55 bushels; on untiled land 30 bushels per acre. Mr. Gifford will tile more this year.

Sullivan *Journal*, 8th: A law suit was begun yesterday at ten o'clock before Justice Lee, in which James C. Lake, of Decatur, is plaintiff, and Lewis Thompson, from near Lake City, defendant. It is an ejectment suit. Thompson lives on Lake's farm, and the suit is to settle the matter of possession for the coming year. John R. Eden has charge of the complainant's case, and W. H. Shinn and W. G. Cochran represent the defendant.

Three New Dwellings in a Bunch.

Mr. Charles W. Battles, assistant roadmaster of the St. Louis division of the Wabash, who some months ago purchased the old Catholic church ground on the north side of West Prairie street, between Pine and Monroe streets, has broken ground and laid the foundations for three handsome frame dwelling houses to be put up at once on the lots, each lot having a frontage south of 40 feet and being 158 feet deep. Each dwelling will be constructed alike. They will be two stories high, and each will have seven rooms, a hall, a bay window, pantries, closets and a large cellar, and other conveniences. The rooms are separated by halls above and below, and have transoms over the doors. The contract has been let by Mr. Battles to Carson & Reed, architects, of this city, and Mills & Harry will get the fine wood-work out at their planing mill. It is estimated that the three dwellings will cost about $6,000. Mr. Battles will occupy one of them and rent the others. They will be quite an addition to the "West End," which is generally recognized as one of the best localities in the city for private residences.

A Double Marriage.

The attractive lodge room of Eureka Assembly No. 1773, Knights of Labor, in Commercial Block, was well filled last evening to witness a double marriage.—The ceremony was performed at 8:30 o'clock, by Rev. T. W. Pinkerton, pastor of the Christian church. The contracting parties were Mr. Joseph Henson and Miss Cordelia Dallins, and Mr. James Keene and Miss Alice Rosalia Pritchett, all of Decatur. The grooms are cousins, and are employes at the Chambers, Bering & Quinlan establishment, and the brides are half sisters. The congratulations which followed the tying of the matrimonial knot, were general and earnest. The happy couples will go to housekeeping at once. May happiness and prosperity always attend them.

PERSONAL MENTION.

W. H. Brooks is the mayor of Macon.

Marshal Hewes, who visited Ohio some time ago, says the feeling there against Lew Houck was very bitter.

Harry Crea paid the REPUBLICAN a business call this forenoon. He returned to the city the other day from Louisiana after an absence of several months.

A. E. White, of Lincoln, paid us an agreeable call last evening. If we are any judge of human nature, Mr. White will make the fur fly in short order at Lincoln if he gets at the bottom facts in a certain case in which he is personally interested. If all other means fail him he will employ one of Pinkerton's detectives to attain his object.

Daniel W. Stookey, son of Daniel Stookey, of Harristown, and Miss Angie Dunnock, of Mechanicsburg, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's mother, on the afternoon of March 7th. The gifts included $60 in gold from the groom's mother: a fine cow from his father; bedspread from mother of the bride, and many presents from friends.

Supervisor Hill, chairman of the county board, was tendered a vote of thanks by the members before the final adjournment last evening, for the courteous and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of the county legislature. It was the last meeting of the present board. The election this spring may make several changes.

William Sollars, brother of Roland Sollars, is in the city. Mr. S. is a keeper in the barbed wire department at the Joliet penitentiary. He says that if Robert Crafton's sentence was commuted by Gov. Cullom from imprisonment for life to 15 years, he knows nothing of such order, and that Crafton himself has not been notified of the reduction of time.

Charles M. Caldwell is home from Lafayette, Indiana. He says that Freely Caldwell is in Indianapolis to-day, with a view of contracting for iron for the new street railway line to be built at once in Lafayette, which is a town of about 18,000 inhabitants. An estimate of the cost of building a mile and a half of the line and equipping the same has been made. The first outlay will be about $8,000. The streets are sandy, with a couple of blocks of Nicholson pavement. The line will pass down Main street, which is only 40 feet wide between the curbing.

Col. Geo. H. Dunning, who spent the day in Decatur yesterday calling upon his old friends, was greatly surprised at the changes apparent in the city since he left here years ago, and could not get through giving vent to his admiration of the many substantial improvements visible on every hand. Col. Dunning, his friends were grieved to observe, is in very feeble health, and his old associates could hardly recognize in the white-headed invalid of yesterday the black-haired George Dunning who marched out of Decatur at the head of his company in 1861, to join the regiment commanded by the then unknown Ulysses S. Grant. But though broken in health and unable to engage in the more active pursuits of life, it is a gratification to his friends to know that through the beneficence of the government he is placed above want for the remainder of his days. A liberal pension and the arrearages he lately received, have placed him in a position of comparative affluence. Col. D. at present resides in Springfield.

The Keystone of Health.

How can you expect to feel well, or even enjoy life, when you go about with a hacking cough? The fool, in his wisdom, says there is no cure for it, but the wise man hies him to Dr. A. J. Stoner's drug store, and gets a bottle of Dr. Bigelow's Positive Cure, and at once gets well. A trial bottle costs nothing. 4

YOU can get a first-class shoe from J. W. Baker for less money than other dealers ask for them. Mar. 2 d&wtf

IF you want mill feed, corn or oats, you can be supplied at Shellabarger's.

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SHELLABARGER'S Patent Process Flour retains all the nourishment contained in the wheat. None of its virtues are wasted. Try it Dec18-d&wtf

TILE mills and clay crushers for sale by Leavitt & Royal south side old square, Decatur, Ill. mar7wtf

MOLINE Plows and Tongueless cultivators for sale by Leavitt & Royal. mar7wtf

POPE & BRO. make a specialty of everything new and fresh in the grocery line. Their store is in opera block.

MARRIED.

At the bride's home in the fifth ward, on Thursday, March 8, 1883, at 5 o'clock p. m., AUGUST SUBLATNI and MISS LOUISA WERNER, Rev. Geo. Landgraf officiating.

In this city, at the Stapp's Chapel parsonage, by Rev. W. H. Musgrove, Wednesday evening, March 8, 1883, MR. GEO. BLOTT, of Cerro Gordo, and MISS JENNIE HUGHES, of Long Creek township.

In this city, on March 8, 1883, by Elder John W. Tyler, MR. JAMES B. JOHNSON and MRS. EMMA E. ROSS, both of Lovington township, Moultrie county, Ill.

The happy couple waked up the elder "at five o'clock in the morning," to say the words that bound them together, and took the train an hour later for Iowa, which is to be their home in the future.

In this city on Wednesday, March 7, 1883, at the parsonage, by Rev. W. H. Musgrove, MR. ANDREW BRADEN and MISS NELLIE NICHOLS, both of Dalton City.

DIED.

Near Illiopolis on March 9, 1883, of inflammatory rheumatism, John Nelligan, aged 15 years.

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The Weekly Republican.

ENTERED at the post office at Decatur, Illinois as second class mail matter.

HON. ANDREW SIMPSON, a well-known attorney of Taylorville, died on Saturday last.

GOV. SHERMAN, of Iowa, declines to call an extra session of the Legislature of that state.

A HIGH license bill passed the Missouri house of representatives yesterday, by a close vote, having previously passed the senate.

THE flouring-mills of Milwaukee and Minneapolis have shut down for the present, waiting for a decline in the price of wheat, which is deemed unreasonably high just now.

THE price of live cattle in the Chicago market advanced from 50 to 75 cents per hundred, last week. On Friday last the price paid was the highest for a year, reaching $7.05 per 100 pounds.

THE cavalry group of statuary for the Lincoln Monument at Springfield, Ill., will be unboxed and exposed to the view of a few invited visitors to-day. The work of placing it in position will then be commenced, and it will be publicly unveiled on the 14th of April. This group is the last of the series to complete this magnificent monument.

PRINCE GORTSCHAKOFF, the ex-chancellor of the Russian Empire, died yesterday in the 85th year of his age. For a period of 60 years the deceased statesman has held a prominent place in Russian politics, and has been more or less prominently connected with all the great questions that have agitated Europe for the past half century.

IS THERE any good reason why Decatur should not have a Republican city government? It is undoubtedly a Republican city, and yet it has a Democratic mayor, a Democratic treasurer, a Democratic chief of police and a Democratic majority in the council. So much for the "non-partisan" method of running municipal elections.

THE approaching city election in Chicago is beginning to attract a good deal of attention. The main question in dispute seems to be whether Carter Harrison shall be allowed to prolong his reign for another two years, in the interest of the thieves, gamblers and sandbaggers who form so large an element in the ranks of his supporters.

THE oldest woman in Indiana, Mrs. Magdalena Barkimer, died on Friday morning near Vincennes, aged 107 years and 6 months. She was married 90 years ago, and became the mother of nine children, six of whom are living. Her descendants are very numerous, including children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren and great-great-great grandchildren. Up to the time of her death she possessed all her faculties, was very polite, moderately well educated, and possessed of good motherly common sense, and was beloved by all her children. She was always spry and active, weighed but 110 pounds, and could take care of herself as well as any of her children. She often walked around among her children visiting, and possessed good health up to the time of the sickness that caused her death.

From Tuesday's Daily.

ACCORDING to the best-informed gossips, ex-senator David Davis will be married to-morrow, at Tokay, N. C. He left Washington on Saturday morning and reached Raleigh the same evening, after running the gauntlet of hundreds of curious eyes on the way. At every station crowds of idlers would rush into the coach to take a look at the corpulent Illinoisan, much to his annoyance and disgust. The rumor is that Judge Davis' wedding gift to his bride will be in the shape of half a million dollars in government bonds. Which leads us to remark that no lover is so lavish in his generosity as the swain that has passed beyond the meridian of life and is nearing the foot of the slope on the sunset side. There's a different way of stating this proposition, but wedding occasions call for the use of more polite phrases than those in common use.

THE *Review*, as we had every reason to suppose would be the case, does not relish the idea of a Republican ticket at the city election. Its editor is not slow to perceive that the only way Democrats succeed in getting elected to local offices here is through the efficacy of the "non-partisan" dodge, and the scheme has been worked for all there was in it during the past several years. No matter what the issue was for the time being, the Democrats were sure to profit by it, and it is not to be wondered at that their organ should kick against a proposition to change the order of things. Nothing would please the *Review* and its party better than to keep up the "non-partisan" plan, by which the antedeluvians have managed to hold on to the offices.

AN uneasy feeling is prevalent in France, notwithstanding the termination of the present crisis. The Paris correspondent of the New York *Herald* states that a statesman who formerly held high office under the Republic recently said: "I consider the present crisis a terribly grave one, and it will surprise me much if the madness of the Chamber does not lead us to revolution. The Chamber will not stop at the proscription of the Princes. It may be clamoring ere long for the exile of the bankers who have charge of their money. Next will come the turn of the Princes' friends, and next—who knows what will come next? Insurrection, I very much fear, and a dictatorship."

THERE is a growing inclination upon the part of the Republicans of this city to try the experiment of running a straight party ticket at the coming municipal election. When they come to realize that there is not a single elective office in the city government that is not occupied by a Democrat they naturally want to know why this state of affairs should not be changed. If there were 600 or 700 Democratic majority in Decatur, does anybody suppose there would be a single Republican in office in the city? We have had "non-partisan" elections long enough to place all our municipal offices in the hands of the minority party, and it is about time to mix a little politics into our city affairs.

HON. DAVID DAVIS, according to the report of yesterday, is now a married man, God bless him. Our neighbor of the *Review*, to whom Judge Davis belongs by right of discovery, is altogether mistaken in assuming that anybody questions the right of the ex-senator to marry whomsoever he pleases. That is his own affair, and if he chooses to paper his bride's apartments with thousand dollar bonds we do not know that anybody will make any considerable fuss about it, but our neighbor has certainly lived long enough (no pun intended) to know that "people *will* talk," and that nothing affords them a better opportunity for indulging in this sort of pastime than the marriage of a public man, especially if he be an old man. But it's all right.

THE most intimate friends of President Arthur say that there is no cause for alarm in his condition of health. He is worn out with the labor of the winter, and is suffering from a catarrhal attack. He will probably visit Fortress Monroe this week.

THE city election at Lincoln yesterday resulted in a victory for the license ticket, the Mayor being elected by 120 majority. The prohibitionists elected the street commissioner and marshal, but only carried one alderman out of the four elected.

WE learn from Mr. I. J. Halsted that a painful accident happened at Cisco on Monday, to Tenney Pease, eldest son of Dr. Pease. The little boy, between six and seven years of age, was near a horse power, which is used to turn the machinery in a wagon shop close to Dr. Pease's residence, and in some way got caught in the power and crushed his right foot badly, the arch or instep being broken and dislocated. It will be several weeks before the little fellow will be able to be out of the house, but it is not thought it will cause permanent injury to his foot.

ALL Winter Goods at Cost. We have too many goods and not enough money.
CHEAP CHARLEY.

DECATUR IN PARIS.

Interesting Extracts from a Letter from Mr. Louie L. Burrows.

Those of our readers who have been to Europe and those who want to go but "can't find the time," will peruse the following lines received the other day by Mr. Lowber Burrows from his son L. L. Burrows, who is "doing" Europe in company with his friend, Mr. Charles Paulson, of Chicago. The letter was mailed from Paris, France, in February. The following are the extracts:

"We arrived here from London via Dover and Calais on the 14th. Before leaving London we had a delightful visit at Hampton Court Palace and spent some time at the British Museum, Westminster Abbey, the houses of Parliament and South Kensington Museum. On Sunday went to hear the Rev. Mr. Spurgeon.

"We have already seen a good deal of Paris in the past week, notwithstanding it has rained five days, but we cannot afford to let that interfere so we keep going, averaging at least 25 miles a day on foot, besides the riding we are compelled to do, and you may be sure there is not a step we take but we find something to interest us. As an evidence then of the amount of work we get in and the crowd of interest surrounding our every step, we have explored the Catacombs of Paris and seen the bones of three million people piled up like cord wood, as high as our heads, for miles. Have visited the Pantheon, Cathedral of Notre Dame and its treasures, the Paris Morgue, Palace and garden of the Luxembourg, the Church of the Invalides and Tomb of Napoleon, Palais Royal, the Louvre, the Tuileries, Champ Elysee; spent a day at Versailles and one at the Hotel Clincy, the latter a most interesting museum; and have attended entertainments at the Grand Opera House and the magnificent new Eden Theatre just opened, the latter, they say, excelling anything in that line in all Europe. Certainly no description that I can give will furnish you any conception of of its grandeur, nor the character and brilliancy of its stage presentation.

"We have comfortable quarters in the Place Vendome and shall return here after our Italian tour, upon which we expect to start to-morrow—23d.

"Our route will include Marseilles, Genoa, Pisa, Rome, Naples, Florence, Bologna, Venice, Milan, Turin and thence back to Paris."

Who Teaches the Best School?

A live director called at the office on Saturday last, and after talking over the work of his district for the past winter, said that the board had decided to change teachers for the spring term, and that as they had a number of applicants from which to select he wanted to know "Who teaches the best school?" On questioning him he said, "There are three classes of persons making application, viz.: strangers from abroad, Macon county teachers, and young persons who have never taught." We answered him in substance as follows: Unless the strangers come well recommended, seem to have much "snap" and are willing to follow the Outline of the county, do not encourage them to stop a term with us, but consider the claims of the old teachers. If the old teacher comes well recommended, is a reader of some good school journal, attends teachers' meetings when he can conveniently do so, has taught a number of terms in one place, has followed the Outline, held his examinations regularly and claims to do *nothing else but teach*, promises to board within a radius of three miles, (from the school), &c., consider his bid." It is very difficult to say whether a young teacher will do good work or not until he is tried. If you hire a young person who has not taught, be sure and find out whether he has been in the monthly and central examinations or not. If he has not dodged any of these examinations and his grades show pretty well, then prefer him to one who has not followed the Outline. A young person who has followed the Outline carefully for a year knows exactly how to proceed, and can take up the work just where the close of the term found it, and will do much better work than the stranger or the teacher who has not enough "snap" to follow our crude Outline. The teacher's work has been put to the test this year for the first time in this county, and the results of his work are discovered by all who care to investigate.

Let us give the active, methodical teacher the preference over the "stepping stone," the lazy or the non-progressive "school keeper." Let us remove the stepping stones to other professions by preferring those who desire to follow teaching for a series of terms. It will abundantly repay us to employ the best teaching talent that can be had. Let the law, the ministry and medicine provide their own "stepping stones" just as the profession of teaching must provide for its, if it is ever recognized as a profession.

J. T.

Confessions of a Bride—or, The First Week After Marriage.

Well, I've now been a bride for one week, and I must say that I don't find it near as jolly as I expected. Is my husbond unkind? No, indeed; I know my husband adores me, and that I ought to be happy; but I ain't. No, you're wrong there. He doesn't snore in his sleep, so it can't be that worrying me. The plain truth is, I was badly taken in. Yes, "sold" is the proper word. I thought he had wealth, but I now find we will have to live close to make both ends meet. How was I sold? Well, it was the shoes he wore that did it. He always wore such elegant shoes that I thought he must have cash or he could not buy such stylish goods. Now I find that those handsome shoes he wore did not cost half as much as I expected. He buys them at J. W. Baker's, 18 East Main street. There he buys handsome, fine shoes, for a good deal less than all the others ask for them. Of course he dont't sell anything without the cash; but that's so much the better, as I never ask anybody for credit anyway. [March 14-d&wtf

CHARLES H. FULLER is to-day announced as a candidate for city clerk, an office which he held for a number of years to the general satisfaction of the public. Mr. Fuller is in every way qualified to fill the office of clerk, and his previous experience would be a very considerable point in his favor.

TEMPERANCE HYMN.

TUNE, GREENLAND'S ICY MOUNTAINS.

From Hampshire's snowy mountains
From far Pacific's strand,
From northern vales and fountains,
From burning southern sands,
The cry of anguished mothers
Goes up to God in prayer
And many a fallen brother
Pleads for a brother's care.

Oh! ye who've drank the waters
From out the living well,
Go help lost sons and daughters
To break rum's fatal spell.
Go plant the Temperance banner
Wherever lurks the foe;
Jesus, our great commander,
Bids you, in mercy, go.

Hark! a million voices singing
In one triumphant lay,
Send back the answer ringing
We've "stormed the fort" to-day,
And up to God ascending
Like incense on the air
Are million voices blending
In universal prayer.

He leads the valiant army
Whom o'er the seas obey,
Then join the conflict, brother,
And work and trust and pray.
Go plant the standard higher
Till all our land shall be
Lit up with sacred fire
And given, "O! Christ, to Thee."

Swindling the School Boards.

A new scheme for swindling school Boards was recently detected near Nokomis, where it had been successfully practiced. A man dressed like a well-to-do farmer, calls upon the clerk of the board and representing himself as an agent for the State Board of Education, asks for the books of the district. These he carefully inspects and then informs the directors that there are certain supplies ordered by the State Board which the district does not possess, and which he is authorized to furnish for a given sum of money. These are varied to suit the exigencies of the case, sometimes being a Webster Unabridged, and again blank books, charts, etc. He then induces the board to give him an order on their treasurer for the amount the supplies proposed to be furnished are supposed to be worth. This he sells or gets cashed the first opportunity that presents itself, and that is the last the directors see or hear of him. The State Board of Education does not employ any traveling agents.

Dear as a Post.

Mrs. W. J. Lang, Bethany, Ont., states that for fifteen months she was troubled with a disease in the ear, causing entire deafness. In ten minutes after using Thomas' Eclectric Oil she found relief, and in a short time she was entirely cured and her hearing restored. 14

An Important Discovery

Has been made whereby a successful vegetable combination has been introduced, which acts upon the bowels, the liver and the kidneys, and at the same time imparts strength and vitality to the entire system. Burdock's Blood Bitters constitute this important discovery. Price $1. 14

THE REPUBLICAN has received from the Department of Agriculture at Washington, two valuable pamphlets—one on "The Grange: its origin, progress and education"; and the other being the report upon the number and values of farm animals, of the product and quality of cotton, and comparative values of American and European farm implements; also rates of transportation in Europe and the United States.

MR. M. ELSON, who has returned home after a long stay in Florida, paid the REPUBLICAN a pleasant call this forenoon. Mr. Elson brought back with him a fine collection of views and curiosities picked up here and there in the land of flowers. While rambling about one of the old forts near St. Augustine, Mr. E. chipped off a large piece of coquina, or Florida shell rock, of which the forts and stone houses in that state are built. Coquina rock is very plentiful on the coast of Florida, and is used largely for building purposes. The specimen selected by Mr. E. can be seen at this office.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

The Closing Quotations at W. W. Wilcox's Commission Rooms, at 1 p. m. To-day.

CHICAGO, March 14.

WHEAT—$—— Mar; $1.05⅞ April; $1.11 May; $—— June.

CORN—50⅞ March; — Apr; 61⅛ May; 61 June.

OATS—40⅞ March; —— Apr; 43⅞ May; 43⅞ June.

PORK—$—— March; $18.37½ April; $18.57½ May; $18.72½ June.

LARD—$—— Mar; $11.40 April; $11.55 May; $11.62½ June.

UNION STOCK YARDS.

HOGS—Estimated receipts, 9,000; shipments, 4111; light hogs, $6.80@$7.40; mixed, $6.85@$7.10; heavy, $7.45@$8.00; cattle receipts, 5209.

	Receipts.	*Shipments.*	*Car Lots.*
WHEAT..	33,278	3,822	81
CORN.....	377,853	206,147	286
OATS.....	164,381	157,881	120
RYE.....	15,212	2,183	18

TOLEDO, March 14.

WHEAT—$1.11⅛ Mar; $—— Apr; $—— May $1.13½ June; $1.11⅛ July.

CORN—58 Mar; 61 June.

DECATUR MARKETS.

DECATUR, ILL., March 15, 1883.

The following are ruling retail prices:

Red Wheat flour, per 100	$3.25
White " " "	$3.50
White Leaf do	$3.75
Potatoes, per bushel	1.00
Butter, per pound	20
Eggs, per dozen	20
Turnips, per bushel	40
Cabbage, per head	10@25
Sugar, per pound	9@12½
Coffee, do	20@30
Tea, do	40@1.00
Lard do	15
Bacon, sides, per pound	15
Bacon, breakfast, do	17
Hams, per pound,	15@18
Dried beef, per pound	15@20
Apples, per bushel	2.40
Onions	1.00
COAL.	
Hard, per ton	$8.25@9.00
Mt. Olive Soft Coal	3.50
Decatur do	3.00
PAYING PRICE.	
Wheat, per bushel	85@90
Corn, " " new	40
Oats, " "	32
Rye, " "	45
Hay, prairie, per ton	——
" timothy, "	8.50@10.00
aled hay	——

Oh, My Back!

That's a common expression and has a world of meaning. How much suffering is summed up in it.

The singular thing about it is, that pain in the back is occasioned by so many things. May be caused by kidney disease, liver complaint, consumption, cold, rheumatism, dyspepsia, overwork, nervous debility, &c.

Whatever the cause, don't neglect it. Something is wrong and needs prompt attention. No medicine has yet been discovered that will so quickly and surely cure such diseases as BROWN'S IRON BITTERS, and it does this by commencing at the foundation, and making the blood pure and rich.

Wm. P. Marshall, of Logansport, Indiana, writes: "My wife has for many years been troubled from pain in her back and general debility incident to her sex. She has taken one bottle of Brown's Iron Bitters, and I can truthfully say that she has been so much benefited that she pronounces it the only remedy of many medicines she has tried."

Leading physicians and clergymen use and recommend BROWN'S IRON BITTERS. It has cured others suffering as you are, and it will cure you.

A PREMIUM SURE!

WE GIVE AWAY

Twelve yards of the best fast color 8½c Calico, or twelve yards of Knickerbocker Novelty Suiting, with every purchase of $5.00 or over.

All goods marked in plain selling figures

Big 18. CHEAP STORE.

Jan. 26—d&wtf J. W. RACE, Assignee.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., March 9.—This afternoon about 5 o'clock as four boys, named Frank Pierce, John and Dan Hallohan and Harry Graham, were playing in a deserted cemetery, on West Adams street, in the outskirts of the city, one of the Hallohan boys found lying on the ground a small blue locket. He took the bit of jewelry home to his mother, who suspected that it belonged to the stock of jewelry which was stolen last Friday night from J. C. Klaholt, this city, by a party of robbers. The mother called the neighbors to her assistance, and the party visited the graveyard, and in an unused sarcophagus discovered, to their intense surprise, two heavy satchels and a pair of rubber coats. Klaholt and his attorney were at once notified. They repaired to the cemetery and removed the valises. On being carried to Klaholt's store they were opened and found to contain a large stock of jewelry, which Klaholt at once identified as his property. The goods had been hastily thrown into the valises, and consisted of all manner of jewelry, not only new, but hundreds of dollars' worth of watches, etc., which had been left with him for repairs. No estimate can be given of the value of the goods recovered, as no account of stock has been taken. Klaholt places the value of the goods recovered at $10,000. The news has created intense excitement here to-night, and every one congratulates Klaholt over his good luck.

J. W. TYLER, south side city park, wants you to call and see him. He has a fine lot of harness which he wants all Decatur to see.

SPRING OF 1883.

FRIENDS CREEK

NURSERY!

We offer for the coming Spring an assortment of Apple, Crab, Pear, Plumb, Cherry, Peach, Apricot, Mulberry, Persimmon, Pecan and Quince Trees; Currant, Gooseberry, Raspberry, Strawberry, Grapevines, and the never-failing Snider Blackberry, so well adapted for this climate; Evergreens two and three times transplanted: 2,000 Norway Spruce two to four feet; 500 four to seven feet; 1,000 Austrian and Scotch Pine 3 to 10 feet; 1,000 Arbor Vitæ 2 to 4 feet; 200 4 to 6 feet; choice lot of Red Cedar, Irish and Prostrate Juniper, with other Ornamental Trees and Shrubs; 1,000 Soft and Ash Leaf Maple, 10 to 20 feet, heavy for street or shade; Elm, White Birch and Kentucky Coffee, 12 to 16 feet; Box Catalpas, heavy, many of blooming size, with smaller trees of Black Walnut, Ash, Sugar Maple, and all the above named; 2,000 Gold Band, White and other Lilies, flowering size, many in 5-inch pots, which almost ensures blooming the first season; 2,000 Gladiolus—white, light and striped—with a named assortment of all the choicest kinds: Double Dahlias, Herbaceous, Peonies, and other Flowering Roots, Bulbs, Roses, etc., for spring planting. Also a large stock of Hedge Plants.

I have rented the lot east of Linn & Scruggs' dry goods store, where I will have an assortment of the above goods as soon as the planting season opens. Will be there every Wednesday and Saturday to sell and take orders.

Send for Price List. S. BONEHAM,
Feb. 7—d&w3mo OREANA, ILL.

Look to Your Interest!

No buyer of clothing can afford to purchase one dollar's worth without first looking through the

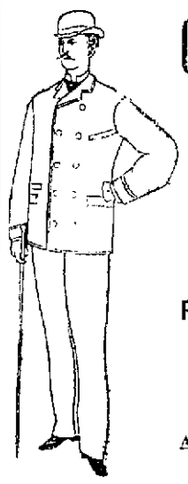
Mammoth Stock of

Men's, Youths' Boys' and Children's

SPRING CLOTHING!

JUST RECEIVED BY

B. STINE, the Boss Clothier



Our Durable Working Suits,
Our Splendid Business Suits,
And Our Elegant Dress Suits,

Excel Anything Ever Exhibited in This City.

PERFECTION IN FIT,
SPLENDID WORKMANSHIP,
CORRECT STYLES,
NOVELTY IN PATTERN,

And last, but not least, OUR LOW PRICES are the features upon which we excel.

DROP IN AND SEE US.

The Popular Boss Clothier, B. STINE

March 15—wtf

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NEW SPRING GOODS!

GREAT ATTRACTIONS

—AT—

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DRY GOODS,

WALL PAPERS and CARPETINGS.

Special and Great Bargains in Foreign and Domestic Dress Goods, of the Newest Styles.

Tapissier Freres' Grease-Proof Silks, and good wear guaranteed.

Hosiery direct from the Importers and Manufacturers, that are Beautiful and Cheap.

Kid, Lisle and Silk Gloves, in all lengths and shades.

Laces, Ribbons, Dress Trimmings and Embroideries, in Great Variety.

Our Corset Department is, without exception, (as any one can perceive), equal to any establishment of the largest cities, while our Prices are Lower.

Zephyrs, Yarns, Embroidery Silks, Knitting Yarns, Port Monaies, Satchels and Trunks.

GENT'S FURNISHING GOODS, embracing Hose, Shirts, Drawers, Handkerchiefs, Scarfs, Ties, Collars, and Cuffs, in which we can save purchasers a large per cent.

Dress Ginghams in beautiful colorings, at very low prices

Calicoes, Percales, Bleached and Brown Muslins, Carpet Warps, Table Linens and Towelings, Quilts, Cottonades, Cassimeres, Tickings, and Housekeeping Goods of EVERY DESCRIPTION, at Lower Prices than can be found anywhere

Please Note One Fact That Linn & Scruggs NEVER misrepresent Prices so that Bargain Hunters may always rely upon one thing That the Largest and Best Assortment Best Goods, and Lowest Prices can at all times be found at

LINN & SCRUGGS',

Agents for Butterick's Patterns.

March 14, d&wtf

PANTS DOWN

—AT—

JOHN IRWIN'S WHITE FRONT.

$6.50	PANTS reduced to	- -	$5.25
6.00	" " "	- - -	4.75
5.00	" " "	- -	3.75
4.00	" " "	- - -	2.75
2.75	" " "	- -	1.50

WINTER SUITS AND HEAVY OVERCOATS

AWAY DOWN BELOW COST.

I have on hand a few Overcoats and Winter Suits that I will sell at a SENSATIONAL LOW PRICE to clean out the lot to make room for SPRING NOVELTIES now arriving Just received a complete line of

NOBBY HATS AND SPRING OVERCOATS

AT POPULAR PRICES.

JOHN IRWIN,

WHITE FRONT POST-OFFICE BLOCK.

March 1 d&wtf

GEORGE P. BLUME

THE CELEBRATED DEALER IN

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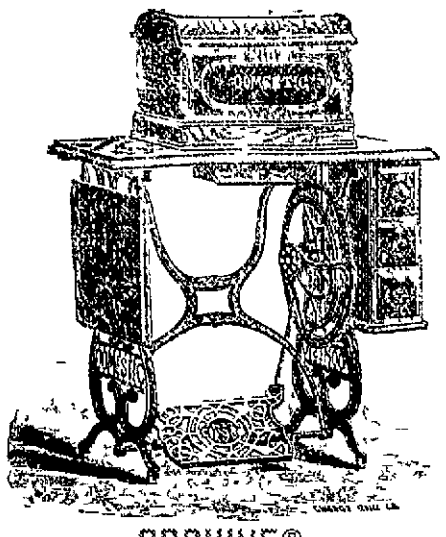


—THE—

DOMESTIC!

WHITE,

—AND—

OTHER MACHINES.

Office—Last door in Opera Block, one door north of my old office, and directly opposite Masonic Temple

Nov 21, 1882—d&wtf

FARM AND SPRING WAGONS

Spring is here, and now is the time to make up your mind about buying a serviceable farm or spring wagon. You have been thinking about it all winter, and it is time those old rickety rigs were laid on the shelf anyhow Take our advice, when you come to Decatur to buy, and give David F Hamsher a call at his establishment on Wood street, near the court house. He makes the famous iron felloe farm and spring wagons to order, at low prices, and will sell on easy terms. Remember Hamsher when you want a wagon that is A 1

TAPISSIER FRERES GREASE PROOF SILK

The London *Queen* and London *Weldon's Journal* say

"This silk gives every satisfaction, both as to richness, durability and price, it being a special make free from deleterious compositions

Messrs Tapissier Freres will replace any length complained of as not fulfilling the advantages claimed Demand with each purchase the blue ticket guaranteeing wear For sale by

Mch 14, d&wtf LINN & SCRUGGS

A Friend in Need

Time over and again Thomas' Eclectric Oil has proved a salutary friend to the distressed As a reliable curative for croup in children, sore throat and bronchial affections and as a positive external remedy for pain it is unfailing antidote 14

SPRING OF 1883.

TO BREEDERS

—OF—

HORSES!

The season of 1883 finds us more ambitious than ever to secure the Finest Stable of Stallions to be found in the country, and those desiring to breed either draft or road steel horses, cannot fail to find pleasure in looking over the following list of well bred Stallions that will make the season of 1883 as specified below

The Imported Clydesdale Stallion

"HIGHLAND KING" (2161)

(Registered in 5th volume Scottish Clydesdale Stud Book, page 645) is a dapple grey 17 hands high 4 years old weighing about 1000 lbs (when matured will probably weigh 2400) with splendid bone and fine action Will make the season at Davis wagon yard at Decatur Illinois

The Imported Clydesdale Stallion

"LORD DARNLEY"

(Arrived too late to be registered in the present edition as the book has already gone to press We have a certificate of registry and will be registered in the next edition) is a seal brown 16 hands high 3 years old and is certainly the most magnificent horse ever brought to this Illinois Will make the season at Davis wagon yard

The Imported Clyde

"MONARCH OF THE EAST"

(American Register No 60 Great Britain and Ireland Register No 1411) is a dark bay with star in the face weighs 2100 lbs has made two seasons in this country and is a sure foal getter and his colts show him to be an excellent breeder It is only necessary to see him to appreciate him Will make the season at Elm Grove Stock Farm 1½ miles northwest of Macon Station

The Imported Clyde

"KILMORY"

(American Reg No 48 Great Britain and Ireland Reg No 1403) Sired by "General Neill (1183) Is a light bay coming 5 years old and is considered by importers one of the finest bred colts in the United States as a 3 year old and will weigh 1800 lbs Will make the season at the Elm Grove Stock Farm

The Imported Clyde

"MOUNT STUART"

(American Reg No 7[illegible] Great Britain and Ireland Reg No 1[illegible]) is a bay 16 hands high, star in the forehead sired by Druid (654 1120) the most noted draft stallion ever bred in Scotland and the highest priced draft horse ever imported "Mount Stuart" is coming four years old weighs 1700 lbs with more style and action than we have ever seen in a heavy horse Will make the season at the Center Ridge Stock Farm 3 miles west of Emery Station 6 miles southwest of Macon and 12 miles northwest of Decatur

The Imported Norman Stallion

"BAJARET,"

Imported in 1880 by M W Dunham is a jet black, 16 hands 2 inches high weighing 1800 lbs and is considered by competent judges to be a grand draft horse He proves to be a sure foal getter and will make the season as he did last year at the Center Ridge Stock Farm "Bajaret" is registered

The Imported Norman Stallion

"NIGER,"

Register No 644 imported by Fullington & Fillis of Ohio in 1871 is a jet black, 17 hands high and weighs 1980 lbs and the best styled Norman Stallion in the State and has brought more money to Macon county than any horse ever owned here His colts are here to show for themselves At the urgent request of some of the most prominent farmers of Christian county this horse will make the season at Stonington Ill

The Clydesdale Stallion,

"TURK,"

is a dark chestnut 16½ hands high 5 years old weighs about 1700 lbs has made two seasons in Macon county has proved himself to be a sure foal getter and a No 1 breeder he is an elegantly finished horse with plenty of style and action, and will make the season at Stonington Ill

The Trotting Stallion

"STONER BOY,"

is a blood bay 15½ hands high with star on forehead and two white hind feet He was sired by "Strathmore one of the best sons of "Rysdyks Hambletonian Strathmore is the sire of the stallion Santa Claus record 2 17¼ and winner of the great stallion race in Boston in 1881 The sire also of "Chestnut Hill, 2 22½ of Steinway 3 year old record, 2 25 sold for $13 000 The first dam of "Stoner Boy was by "C M Clay jr who was the sire of the grand dam of Sweetheart with a 2 year old record of 2 28¼ Stoner Boy is emphatically a stock horse and trotter combined and his colts already show the fine qualities of the sire and are being called for by lovers of fine horses We have recently sold two colts to go East at remunerative prices He will make the season at Davis wagon yard in Decatur, Ill

The Roadster Stallion,

"GEORGE W PATCHEN, JR,"

the well known road horse will make the season at Davis yard He is well bred and well known by nearly every one in the county and his colts are developing into fine roadsters

TERMS TO INSURE

"Highland King	$20 00
"Lord Darnley,	25 00
"Monarch of the East	20 00
Kilmory	20 00
"Geo W Patchen jr,	15 00
Mount Stuart,	20 00
"Bajaret,	20 00
"Niger	20 00
"Turk	20 00
Stoner Boy,	25 00

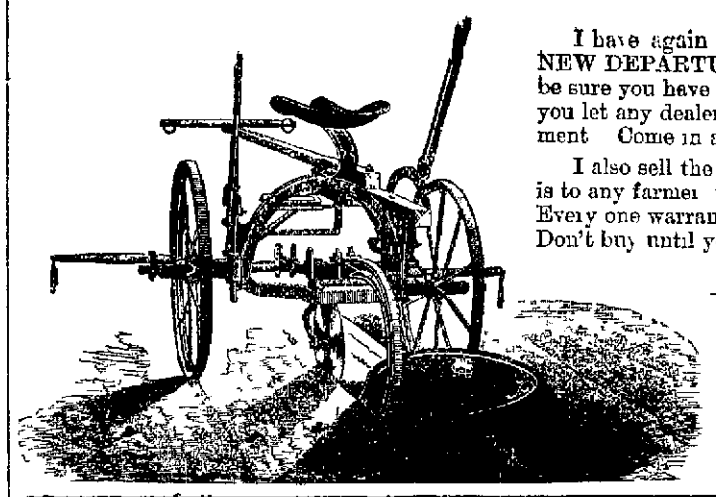
Money due when mare is known to be in foal and parties parting with mares before they are known to be in foal will be held responsible for the season Great care will be taken to avoid accidents and escapes, but we will not be responsible should any occur Mare will be taken and pastured at reasonable rates

D. W. BRENNEMAN & BRO.

1883 V. H. PARKE 1883

AGAIN TO THE FRONT.

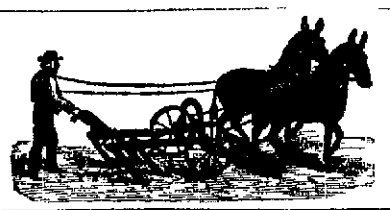
Once more I make my bow to the Farmers of Macon county and vicinity I am now at the beginning of my fifth year in the Agricultural Implement and Seed business. My stock this year will be more extensive than ever before, and it will be my constant aim to keep as far in advance as I have been for the last four years It is an undisputed fact that my stock and trade has been as much in the aggregate as all the other houses put together in this county I will show the best and most extensive stock of Sulky Plows, Cultivators, Old Ground Plows, Harrows, Binders, Mowers, Threshing Machines, Engines, and in fact every article known to the trade that will be a help to the farmers, and I wish to state right here that I will make PRICES LOWER than any other house CAN MAKE. My stock of Carriages, Buggies and Spring Wagons will be larger than ever, and if you need anything of the kind call, as I know I can suit and make you satisfactory prices My stock of Seeds is very large and selected with the greatest care, to suit the wants of my customers Below is a partial list of the goods sold by me You will see that they are from the best manufacturers in the West—all old kinds, well tried and proven in this county



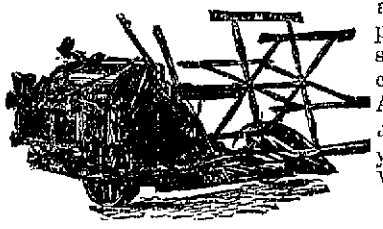
I have again bought a large stock of the justly celebrated NEW DEPARTURE TONGUELESS CULTIVATOR You can be sure you have the best if you buy the original kind Don't you let any dealer talk you into buying any new fangled experiment Come in and get the King of the Cultivator tribe

I also sell the PATTEE SULKY PLOW and my reference is to any farmer that has ever used one or seen one at work Every one warranted and sold for as good a plow as there is Don't buy until you see these Plows and get my prices

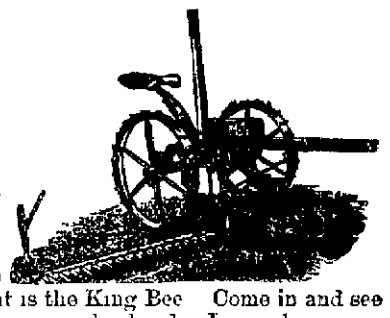
V H PARKE



WALTER A. WOOD'S BINDERS, REAPERS AND MOWERS.



I am agent for Walter A Wood's Binders, Reapers and Mowers There is not one farmer in the State of Illinois but knows that these machines stand at the head Our Binder has been improved for this season, and now is the simplest and easiest managed of any machine made. We know that we have the Appleby Binder to meet, as it is used on all the other machines, but all we ask of you is to take a good look over the W A. Wood and we will abide the result



V H PARKE sells our mower, and the number sold by him in Macon county during the last four years proves that it is the King Bee Come in and see it and get the prices You can't afford to buy any other Mower, the Wood is so much ahead I can show more sales last year than all the other kinds put together and every purchaser knows he has the best

V. H. PARKE, Decatur, Illinois.

FRESH AND PURE GARDEN SEEDS.

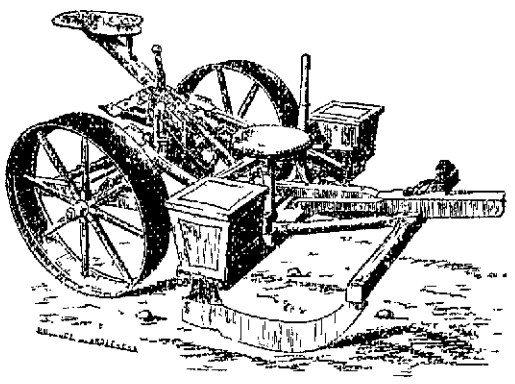
MR V H. PARKE ordered from us a large stock of Garden Seeds They were shipped to him on the 20th day of January The seeds were grown on our own seed farm, near Rockford, Illinois We took great pains to see that his selections were of the best varieties and we know that all seeds shipped are true to name, pure, and that they will grow, as they are the growth of 1882, and well taken care of We feel an interest in the growth of Mr Parke's trade, which has made rapid strides in the past four years, and will do our best to help it up To market gardeners we wish to say, there can be no better grade of seeds than those sent to Decatur by us on January 20th, 1883 Yours, truly,

GEO S HASKELL & CO

Any one wishing a catalogue will please let me know and I will forward to them, and will make prices as low as you can buy any reliable seeds

V H. PARKE, Decatur, Illinois

BROWN'S WORLD-RENOWNED CORN PLANTERS.



Brown's Standard No 1—Adjustable in width, with oscillating seed plates metallic spring cut off, and independent double acting lever

Brown's New No 1—Stationary in width, either 3 ft 6 in 3 ft 8 in, or 3 ft 10 in, with oscillating seed plates

Brown's No 2—With oscillating seed plates and adjustable spring lever

Brown's Excelsior Rotary Drop—Best in use Will not lock With independent double acting lever

Brown's Imperial Rotary Drop—No locking with a check rower

Brown's New Patented Check Rower—Only one side operates at a time Half the wear is saved Fully guaranteed

Brown's "Favorite" Spring Walking Cultivator—Nearly 5,000 sold the second season

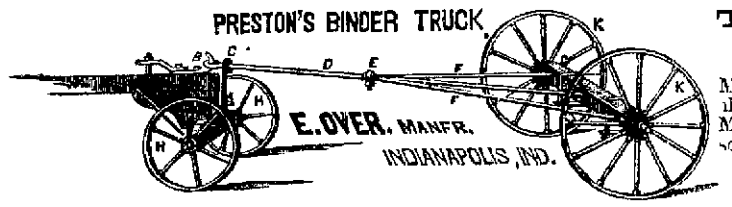
Brown's Wood Beam Walking Cultivator—Cheap and durable

Leidy Single and Double Row Stalk Cutter—The cheapest and best ever sold

Loidy Plow Sulky—To which any old ground plow can be attached Every farmer should own one Manufactured by

GEO W BROWN & CO Galesburg, Ill

Sold by V H PARKE, Decatur, Illinois



THE VICTOR DRILL,

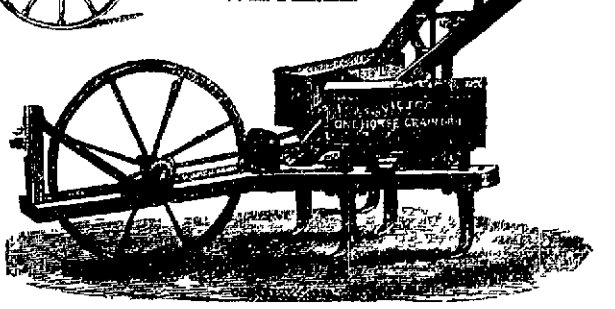
FOR DRILLING WHEAT IN STANDING CORN

Sold by V H. PARKE for the last four years More sold than of all other kinds combined, and always gives satisfaction.

Made by E OVER, and sold and warranted by

V. H. PARKE.

PRESTON'S BINDER TRUCK.



The above is a cut of PRESTON'S BINDER TRUCK, the best and cheapest Binder Truck on the market. No strain on the Binder. One man can load it easily. Binder can't slide off It is high enough to pass over any ordinary obstruction. It will load any binder now made Manufactured by EWALD OVER. For sale by

V. H PARKE.

I HAVE SECURED THE AGENCY OF THE JUSTLY CELEBRATED

LADOW PULVERIZING DISK HARROW.

We claim the best Rotary Harrow, and will give the reasons in part Our disks are in line, we throw the soil to the center, it turns to right or left easily, it is the lightest draft, as it has no end pressure, it leaves no weight on horses necks We have succeeded in removing all objections to Rotary Disk Harrows See harrows with V H. PARKE Send to him for circulars

J J BUDLONG & CO

Aurora, Illinois, Feb 10, 1883

My stock will be complete in all its details, and you will get at all times the BEST GOODS for the LEAST MONEY at my house I will have the best and latest improved HAY MAKING MACHINERY, beginning with the Wood Mower, Coats' Chieftain and Advance Sulky Hay Rakes, newest and best Revolving Hay Rakes, Hay Loaders, Hay Carriers, four different kinds of Hay Forks, Pulleys, Hooks, &c The greatest and latest thing in Cultivators is the UNTHANK Nothing else like it. It will pay you to come and see it

Now, to conclude, I will say I am the only man in the business in Decatur that owns the house he does business in, and the only man that buys for spot cash, therefore I say I can sell cheaper, and I will agree to make you better prices than you can get anywhere in Central Illinois for the same grade of goods

Very truly, yours,

V. H. PARKE.

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The Weekly Republican.

Entered at the post office at Decatur, Illinois as second class mail matter.

Gov. HAMILTON's railway commissioners, Messrs. Strattan, Brainard and Lewis, were confirmed by the senate yesterday.

THE Kansas legislature adjourned *sine die* yesterday, after refusing to submit to a popular vote a proposition to repeal the prohibitory amendment.

IT is reported that an attempt was made to assassinate Hon. James G. Blaine, a few nights ago, a shot being fired through the window of his carriage, while riding home from the capitol.

THE New York *Herald* has opened a subscription for the sufferers by the great floods, and has collected already about $40,000. It says that the churches have been strangely apathetic in the business of giving.

THE wife of Judge Samuel H. Treat, of Springfield, died on Wednesday night of heart disease. She had been an invalid for some years, but was up and about as usual within a few hours of her death.

THE New York legislature has before it a bill prohibiting all railroad companies doing business in the state from issuing free passes to any persons, save their employes. Doubtful if it will pass.

THE great sensation in Washington this week is the visit of embassadors from the government of Madagascar, who come to enter into treaty relations with the United States. There are three of them—all black as negroes.

EX-SENATOR FERRY, of Michigan, is said to be a physical as well as a financial wreck, and was not able to be in his seat for some weeks previous to adjournment. He has gone to Canada to visit relatives, with the hope that rest and quiet may restore his health.

The house of representatives at Springfield yesterday passed a resolution requesting the govenor to correspond with Hon. Robert T. Lincoln, with a view to purchasing the old Lincoln homestead for a memorial hall to contain the celebrated Oldroyal collection of Lincoln mementoes.

HOWGATE, the signal service defaulter, is thought to be still in Washington, and much wonder is expressed that he is not apprehended and brought to justice. It is hinted that his shortcomings were known to many people long before they became public.

THE Post Office Department will soon issue a circular notifying Postmasters of the reduction of letter postage which takes effect Oct. 1, and warning them to reduce their stock of stamps as rapidly as possible. The head of Washington, now on the 3 cent stamps, will be used on the new 2 cent issues. The color and design of the stamp have not yet been determined upon.

THE gold discoveries in Fulton county, New York, are attracting considerable attention at present, and some twenty companies have been formed for mining purposes. The deposits thus far have been found in the shape of gravel that seems to be the disintegration of quartz bearing rock, and the assays run from $3 to $300 per ton. Mining experts pronounce the country rich in mineral, and already claims have been laid out covering many square miles of Hamilton and Fulton counties. The mines are a few miles from the town of Gloversville.

OF David Davis the New York *Tribune* says: "He passes out of politics with the sincere respect of men of all parties. His unique position between the two great political parties subjected him to much innocent ridicule, but nobody ever questioned the honesty of his motives or the patriotism of his purpose. It was fortunate for the Senate and for the country that a man so just and so eminently qualified to occupy the chair was in a political attitude to be available for it at so critical a time."

A ROMANTIC story is that relating to the conviction and imprisonment of Samuel Ulman, who has just been pardoned by the governor of Michigan after serving twenty eight years of a life sentence for the murder of a man named Estabrook in 1853. The murdered man was a bachelor from Vermont, who had sold his property in the East, got his money and started to Michigan to marry a Miss Woods, residing near the scene of the murder. He was killed within a few miles of her house—or, rather, he disappeared and no trace was ever found of him or his money. Ulman and a man named White were arrested, and upon the testimony of one Harding, who was also accused, and turned state's evidence, all three being sentenced to the penitentiary for life. White died in prison, protesting with his latest breath that he was not guilty, and Harding also, just before his death, confessed that his story upon which the other two men were convicted was false. And now, after a generation has passed away, Samuel Ulman receives pardon for a crime he never committed, and goes forth to spend in freedom the few years remaining to him of a life that has been rendered a burden to him through no sin of his own. Verily, truth *is* stranger than fiction.

CONSIDERABLE commotion was created in Springfield yesterday by the action of the House in ordering to a second reading, by a large vote, Mette's bill for removing the capital. The bill proposes to submit the question of locating the capital to a popular vote, the place receiving the highest number of votes to be selected as the seat of government. It is not likely that this bill is thus shoved along towards its passage for any other purpose than to supply trading capital for some other measures, but it is frightful enough to the imagination of the average Springfielder to cause the most serious consternation. To merely suggest such a possibility is that contained in the bill is all that is required to send cold chills chasing each other up and down the spinal columns of every inhabitant of that muddy city. But let them not be alarmed—nobody seriously contemplates taking away from Springfield its chief claim to a place on the map of Illinois.

EXPERIENCE goes to show that whenever the moral element of the Republican party unites with the Democrats with the hope of securing reform in government affairs, the result is anything but encouraging. Two years ago the good people of Cincinnati rallied to the support of the Democratic candidate for Mayor, and elected him by a large majority. The result has been that while Mayor Means has instituted no reforms that lasted through his administration, he has succeeded in strengthening his party to such a degree that, to use the language of a Democratic leader of the city, "the Democrats could put up a yellow dog and still carry the election." So well fortified is the Democratic party in the city, and so great is the preponderance of the bummer element in the party, that Means realizes the utter hopelessness of his candidacy and has already retired from the field. The indications are that George K. Duckworth, a wealthy distiller, will be nominated by the Democrats, and elected, of course. And thus ends the effort at reform in Cincinnati, through the mediumship of the Democratic party. "'Twas ever thus."

ONE of England's most distinguished men—Lord Coleridge, the Lord Chief Justice of the Kingdom—has accepted an invitation to visit the United States some time in the ensuing summer as the guest of the New York State Bar Association. He was invited to come last year, but owing to previous engagements he could not accept the invitation. He declined, however, in terms expressing so strong a liking for America and Americans that the committee repeated the invitation, and the Albany *Evening Journal* says an acceptance has now been received.

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May 23, 1882—d&wtf

IMPORTANT CAPTURE.

Lou Houck, the Gambler and Murderer Finally in the Toils of the Law.

From Friday's Daily.

Lou Houck, of Ohio, the friend and companion of James Frazer, James Bailey, and others, has been arrested at Los Angeles, Cal., and is now in Ohio to answer to a charge of a murder committed by him five years ago. He was arrested by Detective John T. Norris, of Ohio, who has been in Decatur quite often searching for his man. He came here once to see Bailey, who was supposed to be Houck, and who was then confined in the county jail, from which he escaped one night with several other prisoners and has never since been heard of. The crime for which Houck is going to stand trial in Ohio, was committed in 1878. On Jan. 31, 1878, four men occupied a smoking-car of a train on the Columbus, Hocking valley and Toledo road which was approaching Delaware, Delaware county, O. Houck, a man named Houghton, who was a whisky drummer, and Paul Lohman were playing cards in one of the seats. The fourth man looked on. Houghton was apparently playing into Houck's hand, and Lohman was the victim of the pair. After losing heavily, Lohman arose and accused the others of sharp practice—a charge that was hotly denied by the defendants, and during the discussion Houck drew a revolver and shot Lohman, who died on board the train a short time afterward. Houghton was arrested by the passengers and held until the arrival of the train at the station. Houck leveled his weapon before him and made his way to the rear door. Reaching the platform he jumped to the ground, although the train was going at a high rate of speed. Before the trainmen discovered the tragedy which occurred in the forward portion of the train, and signaled the engineer, Houck had gained his feet and made his way across the adjacent farms. Houghton was tried as an accessory to the murder and sentenced to two years in the Columbus penitentiary, recovering his freedom in 1881. The hunt for Houck was instituted by the railway company, and was unsuccessful until a few days ago, when he was arrested at Los Angeles, Cal. The career of Houck subsequently to the murder was a varied one. He made his way to Washington, D. C., and while there managed to make his living by his wits, which have served him well. He was an adept at card-playing, and while in Washington communicated with his father and wife, who met him at the national capital, the latter accompanying him in his long flight from justice. Houck has often been in Decatur, and is personally known to many of the sporting fraternity here. He used to put up at the Priest House, and in company with other monte men work the grays on the various trains. It is to be hoped that he has thrown his last card.

Houck lived in Decatur with his family for a number of years, but sold his household effects at public sale and left the city. Last summer he was reported killed near Galveston, Texas, but it seems there was no truth in that story.

All After Pensions

The following persons were examined at the meeting of the government examining board held yesterday at the office of Dr. Curtis. Those not marked increase have just applied for pensions.

Wm. Myer, private Co. I, 46th Indiana volunteers, increase, Heyworth, McLean county, Ill.

Erastus B. Hancock, private Co. I, 39th Ill. volunteers, increase, Bloomington.

Jas. T. Smith, sergeant Co. G, 8th Kansas volunteers, increase, Blue Mound, Ill.

Jas. Blackford, private Co. F, 14th Ohio volunteers, Farlow, Ill.

Willis T. Wilhoite, private Co. I, 39th Ill. Vol., increase, Cisco, Ill.

John Cornell, private Co. K, 107th Illinois Vol., Monticello.

Abram L. Hoover, private Co. E, 67th Penn. Vol., Peorin.

Ancil C. Stevens, sergeant Co. A, 116th Ill. Vol., Decatur.

Wm. H. Hass, private Co. C, 11th Missouri Vol., Mt. Pulaski.

Jas. M. Jones, private Co. I, 7th Illinois Cavalry, Long Creek.

Horace S. Ruby, private Co. I, 7th Ill. Cavalry, Bement.

Josiah Doolen, private Co. E, 32d Ill. Vol., Blue Mound.

Jas. W. Miller, private Co. A, 99th Ohio Vol., increase, Lovington.

Aloysius E. Saunders, private Co. I, 114th Ill. Vol., Springfield.

Wm. Dudrey, private Co. M, 5th Ill. Cav., Centralia.

A. J. Keeney, sergeant Co. B, 4th Ohio Cav., increase, Pana.

Jno. M. Underwood, husband of Martha Underwood, dependant mother of Orlando Underwood, Decatur.

John H. Richardson, husband of Sally Richardson, dependant mother of George B. Richardson, Moawequa.

Richard T. Parker, corporal Co. C, 21st Ken. infantry, Waynesville, Ill.

Charles L. Williams, private Co. I, 13th Ill. Vol., Litchfield, Ill.

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Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Thomas Perkins, Dec'd.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Thomas Perkins, late of the county of Macon and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county at the Court House in Decatur, at the April term, on the third Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 27th day of February, 1883.
March 1—w3w JOHN LONGSTREET, Administrator.

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March 1—w5m

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Jan. 1, 1880—d&w

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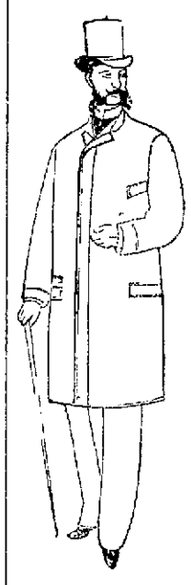

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March 7—d&wtf

Cash Prizes

1st, $100.00.
2d, $50.00.
3rd, $30.00.
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March 7, 1883—d&wtf

LINCOLN READS A POEM.

Honest Old Abe Entertains His Cabinet with a Little Quotation.

"Now, gentlemen, you all have more or less poetry in your souls; listen to this," and Abraham Lincoln, then President, rose from his chair, in his office in the White House, and read, in trembling tones, which indicated his own profound appreciation of it, Dr. O. W. Holmes' "Last Leaf," of which the following are two verses:

"They say that in his prime,
Ere the pruning knife of time
Cut him down;
Not a better man was found
By the crier in his round
Through the town.

Now the mossy marbles rest
On the lips that he had pressed
In their bloom;
And the names he loved to hear
Have been carved for many a year
On the tomb."

Mr. Michael Guilfoyle, of Binghamton, N. Y., is not as old as the venerable Boston citizen of whom the poet wrote with such tender pathos, yet he is more than three score and ten. "For the past eight of those years," he writes, "I have been a perfect cripple from rheumatism, hobbling about as best I could with my cane. I took PARKER'S GINGER TONIC *and am now supple and strong as a gymnast. There is no trace of the disease left about me.*"

Mr. R. W. Mosher, wholesale druggist, of Binghamton, writes Messrs. HISCOX & CO., of New York—Proprietors of the Tonic—certifying to Mr. Guilfoyle's declaration.

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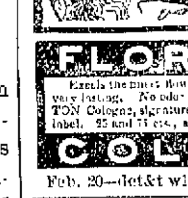
Coal Digging at Pana.

A telegram from Pana, under date of the 9th instant, says: "The bosses, firemen, engineers, engine, tools and material necessary to begin a coal shaft have arrived, sent by the Lincoln (Ill.) Coal Mining Company, and first dirt was broken here to-day, at a point about 300 feet west of the Union Depot. A force of men were set to work with spades, etc., and a hole 10 by 18 feet has been sunk to the depth of several feet already. The work will be prosecuted with vigor from now on, as the company is a good one and mean business.

PARKER'S HAIR BALSAM



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Jan. 1883—d&wly.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of CAROLINE KRIEG, deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims and demands against the estate of Caroline Krieg, deceased, to present the same for adjudication and settlement at a regular term of the county court of Macon county, to be holden at the court house, in the city of Decatur, on the 3rd Monday of March, A. D. 1883, being the first day of said term.

Decatur, Ill., March 8, A. D. 1883.
JOHN KRIEG, Administrator.

March 8—w3w

Administrator's Sale.

The undersigned, administrator of the estate of Caroline Krieg, deceased, will sell at public auction, at the late home of the deceased, 1½ miles west of Elwin, on TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 1883, the following property: Three work horses, 3 milch cows, 7 head of young cattle, 5 shoats, two sets of work harness, half interest in a Keystone corn planter and check rower, two cultivators, 1 16-inch breaking plow, two 12-inch breaking plows, one farm wagon, farming utensils and other articles. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.

TERMS—A credit of 12 months will be given on all sums over $5, the purchaser to give note with approved security; $5 and under, cash.

March 8—w3w JOHN KRIEG, Adm'r.

$66 a week in your own town. Terms $5 and outfit free. Address H. HALLETT & CO., Portland, Maine. Feb3-d&wly

THE TAX LIST.

Articles to be Taxed Under the New Law.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The following are the only internal revenue taxes which will be left after the new law shall go into effect:

Distilled spirits, per gallon	$ 90
Wines made in imitation of champagne, but not made from grapes grown in the United States, per pint	10
Stamps for distilled spirits for export	10
Stamps for distilling-warehouse	10
Stamps for rectified spirits	10
Stamps for wholesale liquor dealers	10
Stamps for special bonded warehouses	10
Stamps for rewarehousing	10
Stamps for tobacco for export	10
Stamps for imported spirits	10
Fermented liquors, beer, etc., per barrel	1 00
Cigars, per 1,000	3 00
Cigarettes, per 1,000	50
Tobacco, chewing and smoking, per pound	08
Snuff, per pound	08
Dealers in manufactured tobacco, per annum	5 00
Dealers in leaf tobacco, per annum	12 00
Manufacturers of tobacco, per annum	2 40
Manufacturers of cigars, per annum	6 00
Manufacturers of stills, per annum	50 00
Manufacturers and for each still manufactured	20 00
Brewers	5 00
Barrels, per annum	50 00
Peddlers of tobacco, first class	30 00
Peddlers of tobacco, second class	15 00
Peddlers of tobacco, third class	7 20
Peddlers of tobacco, fourth class	3 00
Wholesale dealers in malt liquor, per annum	50 00
Wholesale liquor dealers, per annum	100 00
Retail liquor dealers, per annum	25 00
Rectifiers, 500 barrels per annum	100 00
Retail dealers in leaf tobacco	250 00

And for annual sales over $1,000, 30cents on each $100.

Circulation of banks per month, 1-12 of 1 per cent.; circulation of exceeding 90 per cent. of capital, 1-6 of 1 per cent. additional.

On circulating medium of banks, cities or persons, 10 per cent.

The deputy commissioner of Internal Revenue, says that banks, bankers, and national banking associations will not be required to pay taxes under the new law after January 1, the date upon which the last semi-annual report was received. All taxes due at that time and unpaid will be collected.

TRAFFIC IN STAMPS.

This abolishes nearly the entire stamp system. The special-license stamp will be changed by having stamped upon their face something to show that they are issued under the new law. Such an amount of stamps have been engraved and printed and are ready for distribution that the department will not care to waste them. This law destroys the very lucrative traffic of revenue stamp dealers. Men in different cities have been in the habit of negotiating directly with the Government for the purchase of stamps and receiving under the law, a commission of five per cent on a purchase of $1,000 worth of stamps, 4 per cent on $500, 3 per cent on $100 and 2 per cent on $50. The sales to small dealers, whose limit means will not permit these extensive negotiations, and to individual consumers, are enormous, and the profits, as can be seen by the computation, are large. It is the general impression that the business of stamp-brokerage is done through and under the direction of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. So lucrative have become the operations of the dealers that those engaged in the business strove to confirm this impression for obvious reasons. As profitable as the business has recently been, it is no hing comparatively to what it was soon after the passage of the act creating the tax in 1862. It was a war measure, and almost everything conceivable was under tax. The revenue officials who sold the stamps pocketed the discount. One dealer in an Eastern State is said to have had a business which exceeded $150,000 annually. The stamps used by the patent-medicine makers, except in a few instances, have been purchased direct from Washington, and, therefore, this large sum is derived from other sources, chiefly dealers who retail the stamps at a lower rate to a larger number of persons.

Claims for Rebate on The Tobacco Tax.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—No appropriation was made by Congress for the rebate on tobacco provided for in the new internal revenue bill. About $4,000,000 will be necessary to pay these rebates. All claims must be made within sixty days after the bill goes into effect. It will require almost a year to examine the 200,000 claims which it is thought will be made. All claims for rebate must be not less than $10. To make this amount there must be of cigars alone 3,400 in boxes as they come from the hands of the manufacturer, 125 pounds of tobacco alone as put up by manufacturers, 3,000 cigarettes alone. Cigars, cigarettes and tobacco make up the amount. On May 1st owners will be required to make an inventory of stock upon which rebate will be claimed. He must make an affidavit that all the stock is in his possession May 1st; that the United States tax has been paid on the stock; that the inventory is correct and true. This claim is to be supported by two affidavits of two disinterested persons to the effect that they have examined the stock personally and compared it with the inventory; that they know the stock to have been in possession of the claimant on May 1, and that the inventory is correct. The claims will be forwarded to a Deputy Collector, who will be required to make inquiries in regard to the integrity of claimant and witnesses. He will certify the result of his inquiries to a Collector, who will schedule claims and certify to their correctness, and forward them to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. The fact that no appropriation was made will not delay the payment of claims any great time. The Internal revenue officials will examine and certify the claims, and ask an appropriation from the next Congress.

The Dunn-Elliott Murder.

CHICAGO, March 7.—In the Dunn-Elliott murder case the friends are arrayed in factions. The Elliott faction seems to be gaining ground and at least two new witnesses will come to the front at the inquest Friday, and perhaps another witness may be secured before that time. Coroner Boyder was of the opinion that, in justice to the living participant of the shooting affair, he should be present to meet his accusers. However, the inquest should be held Friday, whether Dunn was present or not. The Dunn faction are not so loud spoken as at first, and it is difficult to get any of them to say a word about the case. Yesterday morning Dunn was feeling better and he had rested to some extent last night. He is watched continuously by officers, and a nurse is in constant attendance upon him. There are too many very inquisitive friends visiting the patient, and they annoy him. The house surgeon has issued orders that none shall be admitted to see him without first explaining their business. Every one who ever knew Dunn in the least is making it a business to visit him, and they kept him constantly fretted. The wound in the head is healing up nicely, as is also the arm wound. Some fragrant flowers were sent in by lady friends to the sick man yesterday.

ELLIOTT'S REMAINS.

NEW YORK, March 7.—The remains of Elliott, the prize-fighter, arrived this morning. Many well-known sporting men were at the depot. The body was taken to the residence of Elliott's sister, Mrs. McDavitt. The parlor in which the body lies is heavily hung with draperies, being the same used in the room in which the body of Cornelius Vanderbilt lay before burial. The funeral will be on Sunday.

OUR CITY SCHOOLS.

A Few Words to Parents Having Children That will Enter Next Term.

Allow me to call your attention to a few things that will contribute to the success of your children during their first term in school. There is nothing like getting a good start, in this world, so please have your children all ready to start at 8:45 on Monday morning, March 26th, 1883. Now some of you will be apt to put off the necessary preparation for a few days, and thereby your children will not enter until the next Monday. This is a great loss to them, and will give the teacher much extra work. Strange as it may seem to you, it is a fact that these little children learn many important things this first week in school. It will take the whole term to fuly make up what will be lost by absence during this week.

Your children will want a certificate from your family physician that they are properly vaccinated. Permit me to urge upon you the importance of attending to this *at once*. Proper blanks for these certificates will be cherfully given at the office in the High School, whenever you may call for them. Our friends, the doctors, sometimes complain that you neglect this matter until the very day that the schools open, and then come upon them in such numbers that it is impossible to wait upon you. So, I repeat, *please attend to the vaccination at once.*

Your children will also need a slate, a pencil, and a sponge the day they enter school. Please do not buy a book until the teacher asks you to do so.

Anxious mothers sometimes ask me what they can do before their children enter school that will help them along in their school work. I answer, do not try to teach them their letters, and *please* do not worry yourself nor your children if you find that the teacher is not doing so. I assure you that it will all come out right, although you may not be able to see how such a thing is possible. But you can help your children by teaching them how to count up to 10 or 20 and how to make the figures as high as ten. Also by little concrete examples, as there are 2 eggs in one nest and 1 in another, how many in both? Mary had 3 eggs in her apron and broke 2, how many had she left? The girl had 4 eggs, into how many nests could she put two eggs? Be careful not to make the examples too difficult. Use small numbers, but strive to get the answer as promptly as possible.

Finally, you can help your children for all time by teaching them that their school work should be done earnestly and faithfully each day. They are, in fact, beginning the work of life. We hope to so arrange it that no little shoulders shall be too heavily weighed. But may we not ask that you will encourage your children to take up the load cheerfully and gladly day by day. The habit will be worth more than money in the years that are before them. E. A. GASTMAN.

THE FAIR GROUNDS.

THE COUNTY BOARD SAY THE GROUNDS OUGHT TO BE SOLD—OTHER NOTES.

The board of supervisors, after having been in session since the afternoon of the 6th inst., reached an adjournment last evening, a large amount of business having been disposed of. As stated yesterday, the visit of the board to the poor farm proved one of special interest. The supervisors found everything connected with the new building, which was erected at a cost of about $17,000, to be in excellent order, and also that the paupers and insane patients receive the best of care under the stewardship of Mr. Magee.

THE FAIR GROUNDS.

The judiciary committee made the following report to the board, which was adopted:

The judiciary committee, to whom has been referred the accompanying preamble and resolution, offered by Supervisor Hill, respectfully report that they have consulted, as far as possible, with the officers of the Macon County Agricultural society, and have considered the terms of the resolution, and they find that it will be necessary to have free use of the grounds for more than one week in each year in order to make the necessary preparations for holding the fair; that by the terms of the resolution, the persons buying said grounds are not required to put the grounds in repair for holding the fair, but only for a driving park, and that there are no conditions requiring a fair to be held. We are of the opinion, that in compliance with the spirit of the resolution, the grounds ought to be sold, but at the same time the proper safe-guards should be established, to insure the holding of a fair, and we therefore recommend that a committee of three members of this board be appointed by the chairman to make a sale of the said fair grounds for not less than six thousand dollars, upon such terms as may be in accordance with the resolution and this report, and that the said committee have full power to act in the premises, subject to the approval of the board of supervisors.

The board appointed Supervisor Hill, of Decatur, Hoyt, of Harristown, and Ward, of Wheatland, as the committee to make the sale.

Improvements

Dr. R. L. Walston is having the finishing touches put to his new residence.

It is expected that the A. T. Hill residence will be fitted up complete ready for occupying in the course of one or two months.

Silas Packard has commenced making important improvements at his residence on the corner of North Main and North streets. He intends putting a second story addition over the dining room at the west end of the dwelling, and will build a bay window on the south side o the sitting room, east of the south entrance. The dining room will be enlarged, and a rear stairway will be built to reach the extra upper room provided for the help. The iron fence around the premises is also to be repaired. New cedar posts will take the place of the old ones which have partly decayed.

OUR Prices are as Attractive as our Clothing. CHEAP CHARLEY.

The Free Delvery Question.

Our article last week, calling attention to the fact that Decatur is entitled to the free delivery of mail matter, has already borne fruit, as will be seen by the following letter received this morning from the inspector of the free delivery service:

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 5, 1883.

EDITORS REPUBLICAN, Decatur, Ill.—A clipping from your paper of the 28th ult. has been sent me by a friend. There has been no time lately when Decatur, if making application for it, by its P. M., by its citizens, or by its M. C., might not have had proper consideration of its claim to free delivery service. I called there nearly a year ago, and would then have recommended its establishment if it had been found to be urged by any of the parties I have named.

Now I have to advise you that I have no no doubt of its favorable consideration by the Department, but the city itself has an interest, to be shown in promptly and perfectly labeling its street corners and numbering its houses everywhere. We cannot make a good, clean, satisfactory, prompt, efficient and creditable delivery by carrier, without a properly addressed mail, and the sooner the condition named is met by you the sooner free delivery may be had.

Respectfully, H. W. HALL,
Inspector Free Delivery Service.

Now if our people desire to avail themselves of the benefits of the carrier system, they know the requirements. The street corners must be labeled and the houses must be numbered throughout the city. This is a matter that ought to receive the favorable consideration of our city authorities, whether we are to have a free postal delivery or not. Decatur is no longer a little village, in which the residence of a person can be described by saying that it is the seventh house west of the street that runs across the mound. A system of numbering ought to be adopted, and the city authorities should see that it is carried out, so that every house within the corporate limits may have a number. Let us put off our village clothes and don the garments of a city. Will the council move in the matter?

IT turns out now that Charley Reed does not get that $3,000 for defending Guiteau. The senate inserted the clause in the Sundry Civil bill, but the conference committee struck it out. The committee evidently had more correct ideas of the eternal fitness of things than the senate.

Plenty of Money.

To-day Commissioner D. A. Maffit received the following communication from Frank Nelson, the money crank at the county poor farm:

To the Highway Commissioners of Decatur township:

Enclosed find amount sufficient to meet the appropriation called for by your honorable body. I desire to express my sympathy to you with substantial aid.

Yours fraternally, FRANK NELSON.

The Nelson money enclosed includes seven brown paper bills of the following denominations: $150,000; $500; $500; $200; $500; $100; $5,000—making a total donation of the munificent sum of $156,800, which Mr. Maffit says will be amply sufficient to not only repair the bridges, but raise them and the approaches to any height desired. As the county board refused to appropriate any money to repair the bridges, Mr. Nelson comes to the rescue, and of his millions he contributes generously. He has plenty more of the same sort of paper money, and if anybody wants to buy the fair grounds he can get the spondulicks of Nelson, who will loan or give away any sum on application.

The Fielder Entertainment at Argenta.

Those of us who were heroic enough to brave the damp and mud of Monday evening, March 5th, will not soon forget the pleasant evening spent at the Argenta "Seminary" taking in the entertainment furnished by the Misses Lulu and Grace Fielder, of Decatur. All agree that the talent of these midget elocutionists is almost miraculous. Any one of the recitations was fully worth the price of admission.

Miss Gracie's rendition of the oft-recited poem, "Betsy and I are Out," was simply marvelous. We felt as if we were hearing about the old man and Betsy's troubles for the first time. Her recitation, "Independence Bell," was greeted with a prolonged storm of applause, to which the little lady responded with a recitation of "Katydid."

Miss Lulu has a voice of surprising firmness and compass for a miss of eleven. It was hard to decide which sister to be the most delighted with. "Calling a Boy in the Morning," "A Baby's Soliloquy" and a Revolutionary poem were among her most decided successes.

We think their teacher, Miss Lena Henkle, would have been proud of the laurels won by her gifted pupils even at muddy little Argenta. MINNIE MYRTLE.

Griggs' Glycerine Salve.

The best on earth can truly be said of Griggs Glycerine Salve, which is a sure cure for cuts, bruises, scalds, burns, wounds, and all other sores. Will positively cure piles, tetter and all skin eruptions. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Only 25 cents. For sale by Dr. A. J. Stoner. [April 3-d&w 1y

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

First Day.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY.

The Board of Supervisors of Macon County, met pursuant to law, at the Court House, in said county, on Tuesday March 6th, 1883, 1:30 p. m.

Present—Supervisors Childs, Clark, Davis, Evans, Freeman, Funk, Garver, Hays, Hill, Hoyt, Johnson, Mahannah, Manecke, Michl, McReynolds, Rosengrants, Turner, VanLeer and Ward.

Absent—Supr. VanGundy.

The board proceeded to business. Hon. A. T. Hill in the chair. G. P. Hardy, clerk. W. W. Foster, sheriff.

The proceedings of the December meeting were read, when Supr. Van Leer moved that final action thereon be deferred until to-morrow afternoon, carried.

The minutes of special meeting held Feb. 12th, 1883, were read and approved.

The commissioners of highways of the town of Decatur, petitioned the board to appropriate $11,704.17 to aid in raising and repairing the bridges in Decatur township. On motion of Supr. Freeman the petition was referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

G. V. Loring reported that the condition of the coal mines in Decatur and Niantic was good. The amount of coal mined and the number of men employed. On motion report received and placed on file.

The following report of acres of land in Macon county was presented and ordered placed on record as follows:

Macon township	25,130 33-100
Austin "	23,338 24-100
Friends Creek t'wp	30,803 70-100
Oakley "	18,211 70-100
Whitmore "	23,677 40-100
Hickory Point "	22,509 40-100
Illini "	22,810 05-100
Nuantic "	18,705 24-100
Harristown "	17,898 45-100
Decatur "	16,691 38-100
Long Creek "	24,069 94-100
Mt. Zion "	20,904 14-100
South Wheatland t'wp	19,082 70-100
Blue Mound "	20,594 14-100
Pleasant View "	19,008 47-100
South Macon "	20,787 73-100
Milam "	17,481 41-100
Total	366,152 02-100

The following resolution was offered and referred to the judiciary committee:

Resolved, That all swamp land indemnity which may be adjusted and paid over to this county, after paying the expenses of securing the same, be set apart for draining purposes, and that the Clerk notify the State Agent at Chicago of the action of the board.

A preamble and resolution was offered by Supr. Clark in relation to authorizing the county clerk to deed certain lands to the directors of the Long Point Cemetery, which was on motion referred to the com mittee on judiciary.

A communication was received from Korsmeyer & O'Neil in relation to an amount claimed by them, and referred to the special committee.

Supr. Van Leer offered the following preamble and resolution, which was on motion adopted:

WHEREAS, The law provides that the clerk of any court of record at the expiration of his term of office shall pay to the treasurer of the county all costs and fees collected and remaining in his hands with statement of names of persons and amounts due each. Therefore,

Resolved, That the committee on fees and salaries be instructed to wait upon our Ex-County Clerk, Mr. Waggoner, to see if the law has been complied with and report to the board to-morrow.

Supr. Ward moved that the matter of deeding Fair Grounds be taken up, to-morrow at three o'clock p. m. Motion prevailed.

Supr. Hoyt moved that the members of the board visit the poor farm in a body and examine the improvements and accept the hospitalities of Mr. Magee, the steward on next Friday; carried.

On motion the board adjourned until to-morrow morning 9:30 o'clock.

Second day March term 1883, March 7, 1883. The board met pursuant to adjournment.

Hon. A. T. Hill in the chair. G. P. Hardy, clerk. W. W. Foster, sheriff.

Present: Supr. Childs, Davis, Freeman, Funk, Garver, Hayes, Hill, Hoyt, Johnson, Mahannah, Manecke, Michl, McReynolds, Rosegrants, Turner, VanLeer and Ward.

Absent: Supr. Clark, Evans and VanGundy.

On motion reading minutes was dispensed with.

On motion the regular order of business was dispensed with.

L. A. Buckingham, Esq., appeared before the board in behalf of E. McCullan circuit clerk for the purpose of having the records so modified as not to cast any reflections upon him as circuit clerk.

On motion of Supr. Van Leer the matter was deferred until to-morrow afternoon.

The commissioners of highways of South Wheatland petitioned the board to appropriate $100 to aid in repairing bridge over Sand Creek.

Petition referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

The finance committee made the following report which was read and placed on file.

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors: Gentlemen, your committee on finance report that they have examined G M Wood's report as treasurer and find that he has paid since his last report, county orders and jury certificates to the amount of $16,515.52-100 and that we have destroyed the same by burning, and that he reports balance cash in the treasury $7,629.33-100.

The committee on public buildings made the following report which was received and placed on file.

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors: Gentlemen—Your committee who were instructed to contract with some suitable person to act as janitor for the court house for one year ending December 1st, 1883, would report that they have contracted with James W. Carter for a term of one year, ending December 1st, 1883 for $300 and have taken from him his written obligation to perform the work to the satisfaction of the committee and the occupants of the different offices and have filed the same with the county clerk.

JAMES FREEMAN, Chairman.
H H ROSENGRANTS.
M P FUNK,
J R HAYES.
S C Davis,
Committee on public buildings.

On motion of Supr. Garver the board adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Supr. Childs, Clark, Davis, Evans, Freeman, Funk, Garver, Hays, Hill, Hoyt, Johnson, Mahannah, Manecke, Michl, McReynolds, Rosengrants, Turner, Van Leer and Ward.

Absent: Supr. Van Gundy.

The board proceeded to business. Hon. A. T. Hill in the chair. Geo. P. Hardy, clerk. W W Foster, sheriff.

The following claims were reported by the committee on paupers and poor farm as correct and warrants were ordered issued in payment viz:

Cussins & Pritchett, groceries for paupers, $35.22; D F Lewis, groceries for paupers, $30.40 Young Bros, groceries for paupers, $29.43; John Ullrich, groceries for poor farm, $92.88; L A Drake, groceries for paupers, $11.92; J T Denton, groceries for paupers $51.25; H B Smith, groceries for paupers, $11.90; A G & V W Benton, groceries for paupers, $25.80; Wm. Neudermyr, $28.50; J D Scherling, do, $31.60; John Schudel, do, $17.10; Frank Skolley, do, $15.50; Louis Koehler do, $9.70; John Dinneen do, $46.25; E A Stephens & Bros., do, $37.90; W. H. Reeme, do, $96.50; Ellis & Fuller, do, $20.15; Newell Brothers, $195.70. Orendorff & Doyle, do, $9.50; P Ruebsamen & Co., do, $96.50; H B Smith, do, $15.85; H B Smith, do, $7; Dunbar & Nichols, goods furnished paupers 85 cents; Linn & Scruggs, goods furnished poor farm, $85.49; Roach McReynolds & Co., goods furnished poor farm and paupers $20.53; J.R. Race & Co., goods furnished county jail $112.50; A T Hill, shipping paupers, $18.85; Walker Bros. & Co., coal furnished paupers, $14.88; L Webb, coal furnished paupers, $7.12; J H Vennigerholz, coal furnished paupers, $97.20; J. H. Vennigerholz coal furnished jail, $2.00; J H Vennigerholz furnished coal for court house, $12.26; Niles & Bradley, furnished coal for paupers, $22.20; George W Thompson, do, $12.81; Thomas N Leavitt, do, $16.50; Nuantic Coal Company, do $7.10; Peter Doll, coffins for paupers, $48; J. N Keefer, do, $4; Moore & Barnes, medical attendance paupers, $4; Bonegan & Dawson, do $3.50; L Tuzer, do, $12.60; J H Rice, do, $17.50; J H C Phillips, do, $31.25; Wm Sturm do, $10.00; G W Drury do, $5.00; Wm M Cato do, $48.00; E L Booth do, $25.00; Tobey & Harvey do, $7.00; Sarah Wheeler cabs of pauper, $16.25; C E Smith do, $8.40; St Mary's Hospital do, $21.97; Mary Grady do, $200; D O Daniel & Bro., meat for paupers $9.10; Illinois Industrial School for Girls, tuition, care and maintainance of Jennie West and Bertha Bird $90.00; Close Griswold & Co. coal bods for court house, $1.70; Decatur Furniture Company, furniture for poor house $256.00; J J Walker 2 Scale Books, $2.00; City of Decatur Water for court house and jail, $18.75; John L Morgan, work done at jail, $2.00; R Liddle, goods furnished jail, $35.25; Able & Locke goods furnished sheriff's office $25.40; Morehouse, Wells & Co goods furnished jail, $9.65; Mueller & Mueller, repairs on county offices $11.41; Cushing & Weld, Range ware and Faucets, $162.00; Korsmyer & O'Neil, repairs at court house and jail, $19.05; G W Collins repairs at circuit clerk and Supt. Schools office, $19.00; R A Newell, services as overseer of poor, $127.50; Silas Livergood, Lightning rods on poor house, $21.00; Peter Ullrich, groceries furnished paupers, $20.72.

The committed on miscellaneous claims reported the following as correct and warrants were ordered issued in payment viz:

James Freeman, services on committee, $10.00; W A VanLeer, do, $15.60; J. S. Childs, do, $2.50; Hiram Ward, do, $28.00; S. Mahannah, do, $12.15; A T Hill, do $10.00; H H Rosengrants, do $32.60; J N Hoyt, do $27.15; H Manecke, looking after paupers, $7.65; W J Evans, do $10.00; J B Miller, taxes refunded, $14.25; C H Garver, amount paid rent of rooms, $3.00; W J Evans, do 3.00; George Hunsley, hauling to poor house 5.00; Bunn J. Post, services as bailiff, $40; C E Smith, do, $40; L W Harris, do $122, J G Armstrong, do, $20; Jacob Albert, do, $27.50 John Magee, do $7.50; Geo. D Barnard & Co., Blanks & Books county, $150.70; Illinois printing Co., do, $271.70; Culver Page Hoyne & Co., do, $17.20; Hubbard & Swearingen, stationery, $8.80; H W Hill, printing, $8.90; Decatur Review $8.80; H W Hill, printing, $8.90; Decatur Review do, $151.25; Hamsher & Mosser, do, $192.50; A U Malone, executing an attachment, $8.55; George Malone, executing an attachment, $8.55; Georgo W. Jones clerk of appellate court, $10.05; Nathaniel Sprague, services as Bailiff, $30; T J Burgess, do, $15; Thos. W Cook, do, $115; Wm. R Dingman, do, $12.50; John McWhinney, do, $122.50; David Hoff, do, $55; A M Stoker, do, $42.50; R H Schroder, do $35; Wm. L. Hammer, do, $117.50; Henry Churchman, do, $120; J L Leigh, do, $12.50; Samuel Whitsel, do, $120.

On motion the matter of deeding the fair ground to the Macon county agricultural society was taken up.

Charles A. Ewing Esq. then came forward and addressed the board in relation to deeding said fair grounds.

Supervisor Van Leer moved to reject the proposition of the Macon Agricultural society which motion prevailed on call of Aye & Nays voting Aye, Childs, Davis, Evans, Freeman, Funk, Garver, Hays, Johnson, Mahannah, Manecke, Michl, Rosengrants, Turner, Van Leer Ward, and the chairman.

Voting Nay Supr. Hoyt, and McReynolds.

The Macon County Agricultural Society by its Attorney then asked the Board to make an appropriation of $2,000 to aid in repairing and fixing up the fair grounds

On motion of Supr. Freeman the above proposition was laid on the table.

W C Johns, Esq. States Attorney appeared before the board and made a statement in relation to the costs in the Crafton case and suggested that the case be taken to the Supreme Court. He also stated that he had collected some money from the Fredrick Malehorn estate for a widow of said Malehorn who is now an inmate in the poor house

On motion of Supr. Van Leer matter referred to the committee on judiciary.

Supr. Ward, chairman of the committee on roads and bridges reported back the petitions referred to said board without recommendation.

On motion final action deferred until to-morrow.

Claim of Wm. A. Pyle, Sheriff of Montgomery county, referred to committee on judiciary.

On motion of Supr. Turner the board adjourned until to-morrow morning 9:30 o'clock.

THIRD DAY, MARCH 8TH, 1883.

The board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present—Supr. Childs, Clark, Davis, Evans, Freeman, Funk, Garver, Hays, Hill, Hoyt, Johnson, Mahannah, Manecke, Michl, McReynolds, Rosegrants, Turner, Van Leer and Ward.

Absent—Supr. Van Gundy.

The board proceeded to business. Hon. A T. Hill in the chair. G. P. Hardy, clerk. W. W. Foster, sheriff.

The judiciary committee made the following reports, which were adopted.

DECATUR, Feb. 7, 1883.

To the Board of Supervisors: The undersigned committee as to the notes of A. A. Murray and bond of O. F. McKim would respectfully report that the question as to the exact manner in which the money should be recovered is in some doubt, and they therefore recommend the States Attorney be instructed to bring suits against O. F. McKim, James Millikin and E. A. Gastman as bondsmen of McKim, and also suits against A. A. Murray and James Millikin and A A Murray and V H Parke upon the two notes in controversy

C. H. GARVER,
W. C. JOHNS,
Com

Adopted.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors: The undersigned judiciary committee would respectfully report as to the money in the hands of W. C. Johns, belonging to Sarah M. Dunnivan, that it will be necessary to have a conservator appointed for said Sarah M. Dunnivan and then apply for an order to have said money paid into county treasury. We therefor recommend that the States Attorney be instructed to have a conservator appointed, and to file a petition to have the said money paid into the county treasury

C. H. GARVER,
S. MAHANNAH,
Com.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors: The undersigned judiciary committee respectfully report concerning the claims of William A. Pyle, sheriff of Montgomery county, there is no liability upon this county to pay said bill, and therefore they recommend that the said claim be rejected.

C. H. GARVER,
S. MAHANNAH,
Com.

To the Hon. Board of Supvrs. of Macon county: The judiciary committee to whom was referred the resolution of Supervisor Clark as to a deed for certain cemetery grounds in Niantic township, would respectfully report that they have examined the matter and recommend that a deed be made as directed by the resolution, when the certificate of incorporation of the Long Point Cemetery association is filed for record in the office of the circuit clerk and recorder.

C. H. GARVER,
S. MAHANNAH.

The following report was presented, and on motion ordered placed on record.

Amount of witness fees in my hands at this date and belonging to the following named persons as appears from the records in the county clerk's office:

DECATUR, ILL., March 8th, 1883.

William Maxfield, $1.30; Jos. Weider, $1.60; E. Farnsworth, $8.20; Paul Kreitzer, $8.10; John Lowry, $2.60; J. B. Stutzer, $2.10; Wm. Hagemann, $2.30; August Steinbeck, $2.90; A. W Bell, $1.00; J. P Davis, $1.00; W. K. Martin, $2.00; D C Davidson, $1.00; Eliza Stuart, $1.00; O. L. Stuart, $1.00; S. C. Streover, $1.00; Total, $31.50

H W. WAGGONER,
Ex-Clk.

Your committee on fees and salaries would report that they have collected from H W. Waggoner the above amount and have paid the same to G. M. Wood, county treasurer.

CHAS. A. TURNER,
H. N. CLARK,
JOS. MICHL,
JAMES FREEMAN,
J. R. HAYS.

The following reports were presented, read and ordered placed on file and the committee discharged:

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Macon county, Illinois:

GENTLEMEN—Your special building committee to whom was referred the resolution of Supervisor Clark, offered at the special meeting of the board called on the 10th day of May, 1882, to proceed to enter into a contract with some responsible and reliable party or parties for the erection of a good and substantial building for an alms house according to the plans now laid before this board at as low and economical a sum as possible, would report that we contracted with Michael Troutman to furnish the material and perform the brick work for the sum of $5,640; and with J. C. Baldridge to furnish the material and do all the work except the brick work and heating apparatus for the sum of $8,700; and with Samuel I. Pope & Co. to furnish steam heating apparatus for the sum of $1,467—all of the said contracts having been satisfactorily performed, have been paid. In addition to the above, we have paid to Michael Troutman for building cisterns, setting furnace, etc., $330.85, and have sold to M. Troutman old brick to the amount of $137.50. We have paid Ichabod Baldwin for plan of building and explaining same to bidders for contract, $80.00, and $330 for superintending the erection of the building, being 110 days at $3 per day; to Korsmyer & O'Neill, $135.14 for necessary plumbing, which was not provided for in the original contract; to S. A. Bullard for drawing elevation and specifications, $100; to Silas Livergood for lighting rods, $51; to John C. Baldridge, $275.85, being for extra water closets, bath tubs, walks, &c.—making total cost of building $16,942.34.

Your committee would further report that they are well pleased with the building both as regards the material and workmanship, also the heating apparatus, which we have no doubt will keep all of the rooms comfortable in the coldest weather. Your committee desire to return thanks to Ichabod Baldwin, the architect and superintendent, for his zeal and efficiency in seeing that the contracts were strictly complied with.

J. N. HOYT,
JAMES FREEMAN,
CHAS. A. TURNER,
HIRAM WARD,
A. T. HILL,
Special Committee.

The following report was read and on motion placed on file:

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors of Macon county, Ill.—Gentlemen: Your committee to whom was referred resolution to have not to exceed $12,000 insurance placed on county poor house, furniture and fixtures, would report that they have insured the building in the following companies, to-wit:

American Fire Ins. Co., Philadelphia,	$2,000
Liverpool, London & Globe, England,	2,000
Boston Underwriters, Boston,	2,000
Westchester Fire Ins. Co., Chicago,	2,000
Queen, England,	3,000
On furniture and fixtures in the Boylston Mutual Ins. Co., Boston,	1,000
Total	$12,000

And have placed the policies in the custody of the county clerk.

JAMES FREEMAN, Chairman.
J. R. HAYS,
M. P. FUNK,
S. C. DAVIS,
H. H. ROSENGRANTS,
Com. Public Buildings.

On motion the board adjourned until 1½ o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Present, same as in the forenoon.

The board proceeded to business. Hon. A. T. Hill in the chair; G. P. Hardy, clerk; W. W. Foster, sheriff.

On motion of Supr. Vanleer the regular order of business was dispensed with and the petition of commissioners of highways of South Wheatland was taken up.

Supr. Turner moved to refuse the prayer of the commissioners of highways of South Wheatland, which motion did not prevail.

Supr. Ward moved that one-half of the cost of making the improvements at Sand creek be appropriated, total cost not to exceed $800, and no money to be paid until work is completed. Voting aye—Childs, Davis, Freeman, Hoyt, Mahannah, Michl, McReynolds, Rosengrants, Ward and the chairman—10. Voting nay—Clark, Evans, Funk, Garver, Hays, Manecke, Turner and Vanleer—8. Motion declared carried.

Supr. Freeman moved to reconsider the vote had upon the motion of Supr. Ward. Carried.

The com. on public buildings reported the following claim as correct and a warrant was ordered issued in payment, viz: Decatur Gas Light & Coke Co., $174.10.

The committee on fees and salaries reported the following claims as correct and warrants were ordered issued in payment, viz: S. P. Greer, services as county judge, $450; G. P. Hardy, clerk hire, $496; W. W. Foster, salary self and deputy, $840.80; W. W. Foster, jail bill, $997.75; John Trainer, salary Supr. schools, $250; James W. Carter, court house janitor, $125; W. J. Magee, steward of poor farm, $300.

The claim of Peter Welsh for boarding pauper was rejected.

The claim of Toby & Harvey for medical attendance was rejected.

The claim of H. Churchman for summoning witnesses on coroner's jury rejected.

A. M. Stoker's claim referred back for explanation. S. M. Purdeu's claim laid over for want of affidavit.

On motion of Supr. Freeman the matter of appropriating $2,000 to fix up the fair grounds was taken up.

The question being called upon making said appropriation, the ayes and nays being called, resulted as follows: Voting aye—Hoyt, Michl and McReynolds. Voting nay—Childs, Davis, Evans, Freeman, Funk, Garver, Hays, Mahannah, Manecke, Rosengrants, Turner, Vanleer, Ward and the chairman.

At this juncture the chairman called Supr. Hoyt to the chair, and offered the following preamble and resolution, which was on motion referred to the judiciary committee:

WHEREAS, Believing it to be incompatible with usage, custom or law, for counties to become the purchasers of grounds not required by them for county purposes; and whereas, on the 8th day of June, 1869, the county of Macon, through its board of supervisors, did purchase from the Macon County Agricultural Society for the sum of $6,500 the property known as the Macon county fair grounds; and whereas, the county of Macon on the 8th day of June, 1869, executed a lease of said grounds to the said Macon County Agr. Society for a period of 20 years upon the conditions following, to-wit: That the buildings and the fences surrounding said premises should be maintained and kept in good condition and repair, and the surrender and possession of said premises in as good condition and repair as they were when said lease was executed; and whereas, the said conditions have not been complied with and the lease is believed to have been forfeited: therefore

Resolved, That whenever a party of not less than ten responsible men, citizens of Macon county, shall pay into the county treasury the sum of $6,500 and execute a good and sufficient bond and obligation to put the said grounds in good repair and otherwise fit the same as a driving park and give the free use of the same for one week in each and every year for the purpose of holding a county, district or state fair, then and in that case the county will execute a deed of conveyance to said grounds.

The committee on paupers and poor farm reported the following claims as correct and warrants were ordered drawn upon the treasury in payment, viz: G. F. Waldron, medical attendance to paupers, $5.15; J. C. Hall, $14, allowed $12.50; W. J. Huff, $5; Wm. Thompson, $17.50; H. N. Clark, $42.75; J. N. Randall, $06, allowed $39.50; Wm. Thompson, $6.25; Sturgis & Huff, $4; H. J. Weyl, $146, allowed $136; J. Leslie, $3.75; J. C. Sudy, nursing sick man, $5; David Shoemaker, care of pauper, $10, allowed $8; W. A. Vanleer, sending pauper to poor house, $1; J. H. Vennigerholz, coal for paupers, $669.25; same for poor house, $63; Samuel Hitchie, goods for paupers, $14.25, allowed $10; N. W. Rucker, $4; Wm. Harbert, $12.70; W. R. Whitaker, $3; W. J. Myers, $43.95; J. P. Smith, $15; K. W. Conn, $19; Cross & Blankinship, $22.10; Champion & Traughber, $6.75; O. Reeme, $8; Freeman Bros., $60.20; Imboden Bros., meats for pauper, $1.50; Young Bros. and Maris, goods for jail, $15.20; J. B. Lichtenberger, goods for paupers, $19.50; L. M. Gill, do, $18.55; D. H. Garver, do, $3; F. M. Garver, do, $45.80.

Supr. Ward moved that it is the sense of this board that each township shall pay its own expense for rooms for holding elections. Carried.

Mr. V. Barber, Supt. of the county poor farm, made his quarterly report, which was read and ordered placed on file.

W. J. Magee, Steward of the county poor farm, made his quarterly report, which was read and ordered recorded.

The committee on paupers and poor farm made the following report, which was ordered recorded with proceedings:

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors: Your committee on paupers and poor farm to whom was referred the matter of employing a steward for the poor farm and a county physician for the coming year, would respectfully report that they have employed W. J. Magee as Steward for the sum of $900, and Dr. J. N. Randall as county physician at a salary of $300 for one year from the first day of March, 1883, and have entered into contract with them for the faithful performance of their duties. Said contracts are now on file in the county clerk's office.

J. N. HOYT,
J. S. CHILDS,
JOS. MICHL,
HIRAM WARD,
S. MAHANNAH,
Committee.

On motion the board adjourned until 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

4TH DAY, MARCH TERM, MARCH 9, 1883.

The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Supervisors Childs, Clark, Davis, Evans, Freeman, Garver, Hays, Hill, Hoyt, Johnston, Mahannah, Manecke, Michl, McReynolds, Rosengrants, Turner, Vanleer and Ward. Absent, Suprs. Funk and Van Gundy.

The board proceeded to business. Hon. A. T. Hill in the chair; Geo. P. Hardy, clerk; W. W. Foster, sheriff.

The judiciary committee made a report in relation to the sale of the fair grounds, which was read and on motion final action was deferred until the afternoon session.

On motion the board adjourned until 2½ o'clock p. m. for the purpose of visiting the poor farm.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Suprs. Davis, Freeman, Hays, Hill, Hoyt, Mahannah, Manecke, Michl, McReynolds, Rosengrants, Turner, Vanleer and Ward. Absent, Suprs. Childs, Clark, Evans, Funk, Garver, Johnston and Van Gundy.

The board proceeded to business. Hon. A. T. Hill in the chair; Geo. P. Hardy, clerk; W. W. Foster, sheriff.

The report of the judiciary committee was then taken up, which will be found in the words and figures following:

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors of Macon county: The judiciary committee to whom has been referred the accompanying preamble and resolution offered by Supr. Hill, respectfully report that they have consulted so far as possible with the officers of the Macon County Agricultural Society and have considered the terms of the resolution and they find that it will be necessary to have free use of the grounds for more than one week in order to make the necessary preparations for holding a fair; that by the terms of the resolution the persons buying said grounds are not required to put the grounds in repair for holding a fair, but only for a driving park, and there is no condition requiring a fair to be held. We are of the opinion that in compliance with the spirit of the resolution the grounds ought to be sold, but at the same time the proper safe guards should be established to insure the holding of a fair, and we therefore recommend that a committee of three members of this board be appointed by the chairman to make a sale of the said fair grounds for not less than $6,500, upon such terms as may be in accordance with the resolution and this report, and that the said committee have full power to act in the premises subject to the approval of the board of supervisors.

C. H. GARVER.
S. MAHANNAH.

Subsequently were chosen to act as said committee, Suprs. Hill, Hoyt and Ward.

The com. on judiciary made the following report, which was adopted:

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors of Macon county, Ill.: Your committee on judiciary would beg leave to report in regard to the Isaac R. Hitt resolution, that all swamp land indemnity which may be adjusted and paid over to this county, after paying the expenses of securing the same, be set apart for drainage purposes, we, your committee, find the same was acted upon at the Sept. term, 1882, and your committee would recommend the county clerk to so inform Isaac R. Hitt.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. H. GARVER,
S. MAHNANAH,
H. N. CLARK.

The committee on fees and salaries made the following report, which was placed on file.

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors: We, your committee, report that we have seen Mr. McClelland, the circuit clerk, and he reports to us that in his judgment they are about half up with the delinquent work of his office.

C. A. TURNER,
JAS. FREEMAN,
J. R. HAYS,
Committee.

The following resolutions were offered and adopted by W. A. Vanleer:

WHEREAS, The circuit clerk appeared before the board and stated that although the committee on fee bills statement was correct in regard to the money being recently paid into the sheriff's office, and stated it was owing to the fact that he did not know where to pay it.

Resolved, That his statement be spread upon the records.

W. A. VANLEER.

On motion of Supr. Ward the State's Attorney was instructed to take up on a writ of error the case of Macon county vs. Christian county, cost not to exceed $50.

On motion the minutes of December term, 1882, were approved.

The following named persons were chosen as grand jurors for the May term, 1883:

Decatur—Jacob Danzeisen, C. P. Housum, John R. Miller and Frank A. Lefforge.
Pleasant View—Emery Bradley.
Blue Mound—William Bankenship.
Hickory Point—Wm. A. Holman
Macon—Isaac Harkender and Henry S. Bennett.
Milam—Adam Dixon.
Whitmore—T. M. Ayres.
Friends Creek—J. J. McKeahan.
Long Creek—B. S. Tyler and J. P. Nicholson.
Mt. Zion—John A. Henry.
South Wheatland—W. W. Falconer.
Harristown—Robert F. Cann.
Illini—Joseph Faith.
Austin—L. O. Davis.
Macon—John Zollers and A. W. Biddle.
Oakley—John Hiser.
Nuantic—A. W. Wells.

Supr. Ward offered the following, which was adopted by the unanimous vote of the board:

Resolved, That the thanks of this board are hereby tendered the chairman for the able, impartial and courteous manner he has presided over this body.

To which the chairman responded as follows, which response was ordered recorded:

Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors: I feel very grateful to you for the cordial and generous expressions contained in the resolution which you have just adopted. As the presiding officer of your honored body for the past two years I have received at your hands the utmost courtesy and constant kindness. If I have succeeded in the performance of my duties as your presiding officer, it is due alone to your forbearance, hearty co-operation and kind assistance. My personal relations and intercourse with you have been of the most pleasant and agreeable character. Our sessions, so devoid of bickerings or sectional strife, have been characterized by the utmost harmony and good feeling, with but one purpose and one object in view, the promotion of the best interests of our entire county. Three years have passed since the people of my township conferred upon me the honor of a seat in the board of supervisors, and it is for you to judge how well and faithfully I have discharged the duties assigned me. Suffice it to say that I have attended every session of the board during that time. It also affords me great pleasure to testify to your faithfulness and the efficient manner in which you have discharged the duties imposed upon you. The financial affairs of our county are in a healthy condition. By economy and close management on your part our county orders are equal in value and purchasing power to gold and greenbacks. According to the report of the treasurer presented at this session of the board there was remaining on hand after having expended in the erection of the county poor house, steam heating apparatus, furniture, &c., the sum of $16,942.34; appropriations for bridges in the county of some $1800, in addition to the incidental, current and court expenses for the year, $7,639.33. The taxes for the year 1882 amounting to $35,000, are now in process of collection. Taking into consideration this vast expenditure of money with an increase of taxation not to exceed 12 cents per capita of the population above the tax levy of 1881, it is wonderful and deserving the highest commendation, and if our successors shall exercise the same economy and close management that you have they will have nothing to fear. I now extend to each one of you and to all the officers of the court my warmest thanks for your courtesy and kind assistance.

On motion the board adjourned.

GEORGE P. HARDY, Clerk.

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March 1—wlmo

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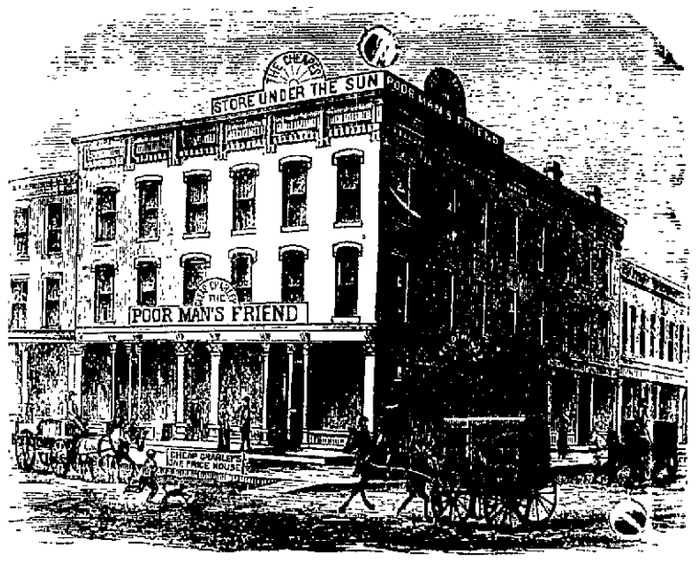
Decatur, Ill., March 15, A. D. 1883.

JOHN KRIEG, Administrator.

March 8—w3w



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